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VICHY CABINET NOW CONSIDERING THE ALLIED PROPOSALS: GENERAL DENTZ MAKES APPROACH FOR THE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES

Australian Troops Closing In On Beirut: Advance To Aleppo

THE VICHY CABINET MET YESTERDAY AFTERNOON TO CONSIDER THE BRITISH PROPOSALS IN REPLY TO THE REQUEST FROM GENERAL DENTZ, FRENCH HIGH COMMISSIONER, FOR AN ARMISTICE IN SYRIA. IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT A SPEEDY REPLY WOULD BE GIVEN.

MEANWHILE MILITARY OPERATIONS IN SYRIA ARE BEING CONTINUED AND ALLIED FORCES ARE ADVANCING TOWARDS ALEPPO. AUSTRALIAN TROOPS ARE REPORTED TO BE CLOSING IN ON BEIRUT BUT A PARIS RADIO REPORT TO THE EFFECT THAT THESE FORCES HAD ALREADY OCCUPIED BEIRUT WAS NOT CONFIRMED IN LONDON.

FRENCH, ITALIAN AND ARAB REFUGEES HAVE ARRIVED AT ALEXANDRIA.

THE CREWS OF 11 FRENCH WARSHIPS, WHICH ARRIVED AT ALEXANDRIA FROM BEIRUT, HAVE BEEN INTERNED. THE INTERNEES INCLUDE THE VICE-ADMIRAL COMMANDING THE VICHY SYRIAN FLEET.

FRENCH AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN SEEN FLYING FROM SYRIA TOWARDS THE WEST.

Australian Patrols Are Mopping Up Pockets Of Vichy Troops In Hills

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter)—Australian infantry patrols have reached KHALDE and inland Australian patrols are scaling mountain heights and mopping up pockets of Vichy troops who are still giving trouble though the main body appear to have retreated to the north, writes Reuter's correspondent north of Damour.

The battle continued yesterday afternoon and there was no sign that General Dentz is prepared to surrender. Except for active patrolling, fighting is now in the nature of an artillery duel.

Australian batteries dragged up boulder-strewn mountainsides are putting a heavy barrage on Vichy positions. A distant roar indicates that the Navy is participating, but the ships are invisible owing to the blinding sea glare.

STEADY SHELLING

Vichy gunners continue to resist stubbornly from rear positions steadily shelling the road north of Damour and making it very uncomfortable for Australian engineers who are removing mines.

Meanwhile, there is further evidence that Vichy supporters do not realise the true significance of the present campaign. An Australian chaplain told me that two French prisoners said they thought they were fighting the Italians and not Australians.

He added many prisoners were willing to help collect the wounded during the height of the battle of Damour.

Indications are that Australians are approaching Beirut. One patrol is reported to have reached Ahey, 10 kilometres south-east of the capital.

There is no sign of cessation of hostilities.

GERMAN SHIP INTERCEPTED

The Royal Navy has intercepted the German ship *Hermes* (7,000 tons) which left Rio de Janeiro on June 28 in an attempt to reach Hamburg. It is announced by the Admiralty.

The captain, officers and crew were taken prisoner.

She is the ninth German ship to be intercepted since the sinking of the battleship *Bismarck*.

The *Hermes* was carrying a cargo of cotton hides, cast iron and oil seeds.

HEAVY INDUSTRY FACTORIES OF COLOGNE BOMBED

Planes of the Royal Air Force raided the Rhineland on Thursday night and the heavy industry factories of COLOGNE were among the targets attacked.

The weather was not so good as on Wednesday night and observation was difficult but it is known that large fires were caused.

NEW SPITFIRE

A new type of Spitfire, the MARK-5, is now in use by the Royal Air Force.

It has a maximum speed which exceeds 400 miles per hour.

The docks at OALAIS, OSTEND and BOULOGNE were also attacked.

Two of our aircraft are missing. Enemy air activity over Britain on Thursday night was not on a

large scale though a sharp attack developed in a north-east town. Some damage was caused and there were casualties including some persons killed. Elsewhere little damage and few casualties were reported.

Two enemy aircraft were destroyed during the night.

16 DOWNED

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter)—Sixteen German fighter planes were destroyed during yesterday's offensive operations over enemy occupied territory.

ADMIRAL DARLAN, GEN. WEYGAND and GEN. HUNT-ZIGER, Vichy Minister for Defence, met yesterday morning to discuss the British terms which reached Vichy through the United States Consul at Beirut.

An official statement in London says that General Dentz made an approach for the suspension of hostilities, according to Reuter.

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SPECIAL SESSION OF DIET

TOKYO, July 11 (Reuter)—A special session of the Diet to discuss the current international and domestic situation will be convoked probably in the middle of next month, according to the ASAHI SHIMBUN.

The NICHU NICHU SHIMBUN gives prominence in a front-page article reporting that the Government is acting with the utmost possible speed to prepare Japan for a total war and in the meantime, it is expected to act swiftly and boldly to enforce the decision reached at the Imperial Conference on July 2.

The newspaper hints that the fresh wartime measure will include "not only the fullest invocation of the general mobilisation law, which is at present partially enforced, but more stringent steps."

TO RAISE SCHOOL LEAVING AGE

"We must see that the school leaving age is raised to 15 and I trust that we shall be able to avoid exemptions," said Mr. Herwald Ramsbotham, President of the Board of Education, speaking in London yesterday.

Lull On The Eastern Battle Front: Initial Ferocity Of Nazi Drive Spent: Russian Air Force Much Improved

No major action took place on the whole of the Eastern front on Thursday night and the lull was continued throughout yesterday, according to a Soviet communiqué.

The standstill in the German advance is regarded as one of the most important developments since the Russo-German war began nearly three weeks ago.

The initial ferocity of the German drive has been spent for the time being and it is believed in Moscow that the Germans are preparing for a new drive.

The watchword in the Soviet is "ROUT THE ENEMY ON HIS OWN TERRITORY."

GEN. DE GAULLE



General de Gaulle has arrived in Brazzaville, French Congo, to take part in celebrations on Monday, July 14, in connexion with the storming of the Bastille.

BRITISH DESTROYERS MANNED BY AUSSIES

Admiral Sir Guy Royle, First Member of the Australian Naval Board, stated yesterday that at the request of Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham, Commander-in-Chief, Australian officers and ratings were now manning some of the new British destroyers in the Mediterranean.

According to an Italian communiqué, Naples was again raided on Thursday night, the raid lasting for about three hours. Vast damage was done.

The Russian Air Force, which is reported to have obviously improved with better machines and better trained pilots, on Thursday destroyed 58 German aircraft in the air and on the ground for the loss of nine.

Meanwhile, Moscow is going ahead with A.R.P. preparations.

The third party of Japanese residents to evacuate Moscow since the war began has left for Tokyo. It is reported.

FOREMOST EXPERT

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter)—General Paulow, now Commander-in-Chief of the Minsk Army, is one of Russia's foremost experts in mechanised warfare.

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HITLER CANNOT AFFORD DEFEAT OR EVEN DEADLOCK: MUST THROW EVERYTHING HE HAS INTO FIGHT

Wickham Steed Examines Russia War And Other Main Events Of Past Week

"HOW WIDESPREAD THE FIGHTING IN RUSSIA MIGHT BECOME I DON'T KNOW BUT I DO KNOW THAT HERE HITLER MUST THROW IN EVERYTHING HE CAN SPARE TO THAT FIGHT. HE CANNOT AFFORD DEFEAT OR EVEN A DEADLOCK," said MR. H. WICKHAM STEED, the eminent author-journalist, when he broadcast from London yesterday in the series "World Affairs" and discussed the principal events of the past week.

Mr. Steed opened his talk by stating that it was not hard this week to lay one finger on the most important developments. There were many spots—there was Iceland, which Americans had taken over as an outpost for their security, there was the smashing British raids on Germany and there was Syria where the men of Vichy and the men of General Dentz had asked for an armistice and looked like throwing up the sponge.

Then there was the Battle of Russia which continued to rage from the north of Finland to the Black Sea.

Mr. Steed, however, admitted that there was yet another event which he considered as important as anything that had happened in the past seven days and that was Mr. Anthony Eden's speech in Yorkshire last Saturday.

"Iceland speaks for itself," went on Mr. Steed. "It simply means an extension of American naval bases to prevent any German attempts to make an encircling attack on the Western Hemisphere. It also meant the wider patrolling of the Atlantic by the United States Navy and would help Britain's efforts against German."

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German Strategic Plan Of Attack On Russia Has Gone Wrong-Murray

"Taking a broad view of the whole front I cannot help feeling that the German strategic plan of attack on Russia has gone wrong," remarked MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY when he broadcast a commentary on the news from London last night.

The Germans had apparently under-rated the Russian morale and had expected it to be the same as the other countries in Europe now under the Nazi heel.

It was significant that the Russian air force last Wednesday destroyed 100 tanks as this did not bear out the German claim to have driven the Russian planes from the sky.

July, said Major Murray, was going to be a critical month for the Germans and their great war machine now hangs in the balance.

If they could not break through decisively, say, in three weeks in Russia then they would have to go back.

AIR STRENGTH

While the Russian air force was taking its toll, the British strength, with the constant aid from the United States was getting greater and greater.

The important point about our great air offensive was that it was everywhere. Our bombers must have done fearful damage to the quays at Benghazi and Tripoli. Much of the Luftwaffe force in the Middle East had disappeared apparently having been sent to the Russian front and the bombing of Malta, instead of being carried out by Junkers-88's as it used to be, was now the responsibility of the Italian air force.

SEN. WHEELER COMPLAINS

NEW YORK, July 11 (Reuter)—American materials for the construction of naval bases both in Ireland and Scotland have already been shipped across the Atlantic, according to a statement attributed to the isolationist, Senator Burton Wheeler.

Senator Wheeler further declared that he understood there have already been talks between British and American naval experts, regarding "some sort of naval pooling agreement" for guarding the supply lanes.

The isolationist leader complained: "We have no longer any foreign policy of our own. Our policy is to give Mr. Churchill everything he asks for."

ROOSEVELT REPLIES

Regarding Senator Wheeler's statement above, President Roosevelt, at his Press conference yesterday, said that he would not be surprised if United States steel had gone into 50 British bases, a step which was perfectly lawful.

MUCH DISSATISFACTION AT GOVERNMENT'S PLANS IN CONDUCTING LOCAL RICE MONOPOLY SCHEME

BY OUR STAFF REPORTER

STRONG RUMOURS OF GROWING DISSATISFACTION AT GOVERNMENT'S METHODS OF CONDUCTING THE RICE MONOPOLY SCHEME HAVE BEEN CIRCULATING IN THE COLONY DURING THE PAST FORTNIGHT. Not only are the public disgruntled at the increase in the "equitable" prices, but former importers and wholesalers are up in arms against the manner in which the Government has been taking over their stocks.

In the course of inquiries, the Hongkong Daily Press learned from usually reliable sources that a certain firm of rice importers has instructed their legal advisers to petition the Colonial Office in England for a reversal of an order by the local authorities.

According to the informant, the firm had over 1,000,000 bags (160,000 piculs) of rice in their godowns when the Government

"BAG" OF 51

A night fighter squadron of the R.A.F. has up to the present "bagged" 51 enemy aircraft, it is reported in London.

monopoly came into force. This stock consisted of three shipments, on which they had to pay \$16.50 less 25 per cent, \$12.375 less 14 per cent.

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TODAY'S BASEBALL:

Brewers, Mindanao To Meet In The Most Important Encounter Of Season

BY "R.O.Y."

THE MOST IMPORTANT TUSSELE OF THE CURRENT SEASON IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE THIS AFTERNOON when, at 2.15 p.m. the Hongkong Brewers take on the U. S. S. Mindanao in a match that will most likely decide the eventual destination of the 1941 pennant. Added lure, for the host of baseball fans that is expected to wend its way to the Chatham Road ball-park, will be the clash of South China and the Hongkong Baseballers at 4.30 p.m.

Only the Tulsa-Ashville versus Hongkong Baseball Club match has been scheduled for tomorrow at 10 a.m., but there is a move afoot to arrange the Chung Hwa-Mindanao fixture for 2 p.m. instead of on Wednesday evening as officially scheduled.

As mentioned before, the big game of the week will be, of course, the Mindanao-Brewers clash with "Grampop" Leung, Tommy Chan and C. S. Chung doing the arbitrating.

Manager "Ski" Powlowski, of the current champions, will start himself on the mound hurling to Tony Mascavage, with Rapid Robert Strahl at the keystone, Bowersox at third, Moore at the Windy Alley, R. M. Wilson, Willie Wilson and Kennard in the pastures.

Manager Tomnochy of the Brewers will start his usual battery of Madeen and Obeir Arculli, who will be supported by Stan Leonard at first, Tony Alves at second, Dave Leonard at third and George Souza at short. Dave "The Bambino" Leonard is unfortunately a doubtful starter but may take the field for this crucial struggle. Gerry Gosano, Hank Ali, Jindoo Hussain, Joe Bowen and Baby Abbas are all likely patrolers of the pickets.

V.R.C.-LAI TSUN SWIMMING GALA

Several Changes In Homesters' Team

Rumours that the V.R.C.-Lai Tsun swimming gala scheduled to take place tonight has been put off were denied by Mr. L. Roza-Pereira, Hon. Secretary of V.R.C. who stated that the reason that gave rise to the rumours might be that Wilfred Lawrence, who had been advised to take a rest as the result of too strenuous training, L. A. Benn, who is not fit, and D. H. Taylor and L. M. Remedios, will not be able to take part in the gala.

NEW LINE-UP

The new line-up for V.R.C. will therefore be as follows:—

- 220 Yards breast-stroke: J. Marques, A. Alves.
- 100 Yards free-style: C. Huang, L. Roza-Pereira.
- 100 Yards back-stroke: A. K. Rumjahn, T. Lopes.
- 440 Yards free-style: C. Huang, C. Silva-Netto.
- 150 Yards Medley Relay: A. K. Rumjahn (back), J. Marques (breast), C. Huang (free).
- 800 Yards free-style relay: C. Huang, L. Roza-Pereira, C. Silva-Netto, A. K. Rumjahn.

OPEN RINKS

In the Open Rink lawn bowls championship yesterday at Cralgengower C.C., P. D. Crowley, E. Kirman, S. Ecclesham and W. J. Burling (skip) defeated M. A. Wahab, A. R. Kitchell, A. M. Wahab and C. C. Pereira (skip) by 21 shots to 13.

The losers scored on only six heads. They held the winners to 10-all on the 12th head.

BEST MATCH

One of the best Open Rink matches played to date was seen at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday, when J. Shepherd's rink, comprising W. McLeod, W. B. Harris and W. S. Dall, narrowly beat the Kowloon Football Club quartette of B. Woodcock, V. N. Alenza, C. Dowman and V. Chittenden by 21 shots to 20.

At the 10th head, the score stood at 10-18 in favour of Shepherd's rink. During the next four heads, a sudden change came over Chittenden's quartette and very good bowling was seen at this stage, S. Dowman and "Doc" Alenza being very much in the line.

The last head proved to be most exciting. Shepherd, however, saved the day by a brilliant effort in securing the necessary shots for victory.

ON THE COURSE



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OLD COURSE

- a.m. S. L. Lloyd, T. Megarry.
- 9.20 R. H. Griffiths, J. R. Collis.
- 9.24 J. A. Parrish, I. H. Geare.
- 9.28 A. E. Lissaman, R. Forrest.
- 9.32 J. Lander, N. A. Annett.
- 9.36 A. C. I. Bowker, A. H. Penn.
- 9.40 K. S. Morrison, J. A. D. Morrison.
- 9.44 H. M. Rowland, G. G. Altkenhead.
- 9.48 B. O. Baldwin, M. D. Cooper.
- 9.52 P. M. Cotton, P. V. McLane.
- 10.00 A. B. Purves, A. D. Humphreys.
- 10.04 L. A. R. Duncan, J. B. Harrison.
- 10.08 Pay. Cdr. Burton, F. A. Redmond.
- 10.32 N. D. Lloyd, D. I. Bosanquet.
- 10.36 H. Overy, W. J. E. Mackenzie.

NEW COURSE

- a.m. Col. Shackleton, Capt. Barclay.
- 10.16

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

BASEBALL.—U.S.S. Mindanao v. H.B. Baseball Club, 2.15 p.m.; H.K.B.C. v. S.C.A.A., 4.30 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS.—First Division: Rectore "A" v. Kowloon C.C., Kowloon Dock R.C. v. Cralgengower, Civil Service v. Police R.C., Indian R.C. v. Rectore "B", Kowloon B.G.C. "B" v. Kowloon B.G.C. "A", Second Division: Rectore v. Kowloon Tons, Kowloon C.C. v. Prison O.C., Cralgengower v. Hongkong F.C., Kowloon F.C. v. Talkoo R.C. Third Division: Cralgengower v. Kowloon F.C., Hongkong F.C. v. Indian R.C., Police R.C. v. Rectore, Hongkong C.C. v. Hongkong Electric.

SWIMMING.—A.N.S. and V.A.D. Gala in aid of Bomber Fund (Army pool, Queen's Road) 9 p.m.; Victoria Recreation Club v. Lai Tsun Swimming Union (V.R.C. pool) 9 p.m.

TOMORROW

BASEBALL.—U.S.S. Tulsa v. Hongkong Baseball Club, 10 a.m.

LARGEST DIAMOND IN WORLD

726.6-CARAT STONE BEING CUT UP TO 23 SEPARATE PIECES

NEW YORK.—A few weeks ago, the first piece of the Presidente Vargas diamond fell onto the cutting table in the iron-barrad office of Harry Winston on Fifth Avenue.

The Vargas, weighing 726.6 carats, is the largest in the world, and the third largest ever found. When it has been cut up, the 23 resultant diamonds will weigh from five to 50 carats each, and will have an aggregate value of \$2,000,000.

At noon on April 9th a phos-studied behind the iron gates of phorbronze wheel, its edge charged with diamond dust, began cutting the huge stone. The first piece, the size of a small bon-bon, required 21 days in the cutting.

That initial operation marked the climax of a series of events—the discovery, pursuit, and final purchase of the Vargas—which provides one of the most fabulous and dramatic episodes in the history of a fabulous and dramatic industry.

On the afternoon of August 13th, 1938, two brothers, Joaquin and Manoel Evancio, farmers, discovered a dull looking piece of rock in the bed of the Rio San Antonio in Brazil. At first they tossed it back, but Manoel insisted upon a second look. For a moment he saw the rays of the sun pierce the dull exterior, and he knew he was holding a diamond in his hand.

He took it to a broker in Rio de Janeiro, who quickly satisfied it was really a diamond, paid the brothers a good-sized fortune for it. He named it the Presidente Vargas, after Brazil's chief executive.

WORLD-WIDE RUSH

Within a few hours the wheels of the glamorous industry went into furious action. Dealers from Antwerp, Amsterdam, London, Johannesburg, and New York began converging upon Rio. One of them was Harry Winston. His jump from New York to Rio was only the first move of a race that took him four months and involved more than 20,000 miles of travel.

For in the meantime, the broker had sold the diamond to one Oswaldo Dauterz dos Reis for \$400,000 and from him it had passed to the Hollandsche Unie bank of Rio. By the time Winston reached Rio it already had been shipped to Amsterdam. After a great deal of negotiations, which included a quick trip back to London and involved the buying up of many options, he won possession of the stone.

He insured the stone for one million dollars, and shipped it to the United States, taking no elaborate precautions. It was sent by ordinary registered postage costing exactly 70 cents. For months the diamond was

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Black-out Exercises: July 21-24

Official approval, said Mr. B. R. Puckle, D. S. O., Deputy Director of A. R. F., at the Press conference yesterday, has been obtained for the proposed black-out exercises which will commence from SUNSET on Monday, July 21 and terminate at SUNRISE on Thursday, July 24.

The period may, however, be extended to sunrise on July 27 if, in the opinion of the Director of A. R. F., the results of the three nights have been unsatisfactory.

The exercises, said Mr. Puckle, will automatically commence at sunset. The siren might, and might not, be sounded, and the public is advised to bear in mind that all lights must be shaded immediately at sunset.

The public is further warned NOT to simply let the blinds down without shading the lights properly as black-out will not terminate until sunrise the next morning.

Various local exercises will be

OFFICIAL APPROVAL FOR BLACK-OUT

It was learned from a reliable source yesterday that official approval had been obtained for the proposed three-night black-out exercise which is to commence on July 21 and which may be extended to the maximum of seven days in the event of results not being satisfactory.

REGISTRY WEDDING

At the Registry, supreme Court, yesterday Miss Lily Kwok, residing at No. 231 Hennessy Road, became the bride of Mr. Wee Tu-keng, teacher, and residing at No. 199 Hennessy Road. Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, officiated at the ceremony.

held during the black-out, said Mr. Puckle. Observations will be made from the air and other posts.

The community is asked to co-operate in every way to make the black-out a success. It is particularly requested that pedestrians should refrain from striking matches or showing lighted ends of cigarettes.

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DIETRICH VIBRANT

Marlene Dietrich, as a heart-throbbing cafe belle of the South Seas, portrays the kind of role only she can do so well in "Seven Sinners," her new Universal film at the Majestic Theatre.

Opposite her in the role of a young navy officer is John Wayne, and it is a new kind of character for this rugged young leading man whose star is rising so rapidly. Wayne does a notable job both in the classic fight that climaxes the picture and in the spectacle scenes that precede it.

While first honours must go to Miss Dietrich and Wayne, an outstanding portrayal is given by Broderick Crawford as a bearded navy man who attaches himself to the cafe singer and follows her as she wanders from one tropical isle to another until she comes to an American naval base. Crawford's performance lives up to the promise he showed in the recent "When the Daltons Rode".

Albert Dekker plays a difficult role with skill, bringing to the

SINO AMBASSADOR LEAVES BERLIN

LONDON, July 11 (Reuters)—The Chinese Ambassador, Gen. Chen Chien, left the German capital yesterday evening with his staff, stated the official German news agency.

He will go to Switzerland where he will await an opportunity of returning to Chungking via America.

character of a ship's surgeon who is seeking forgetfulness in the bottle until he is reformed by his love for the singer.

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COMING EVENTS

JULY
12—Tides: High 1.29 a.m. and 12.17 p.m. Low: 5.33 a.m. and 7.09 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.46 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.
A.N.S.—V.A.D. Aquatic Gala, Army Swimming Pool, Victoria Barracks, 9 p.m.

Annual Prize-Giving of St. Stephen's College, 4.15 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Tennis, King's Park, 3 p.m.
H.K. Chinese Civil Servants' Club's Theatrical Performance in aid of B.W.O.F. and B.F.R.D.C., Koo Shing Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

Baseball League Matches, Chatham Road.
Lawn Bowls League.
V.R.O.-Lai Tsun Swimming Gals, V.R.C., 9 p.m.

13—Tides: High 2.11 a.m. and 12.52 p.m. Low: 6.17 a.m. and 7.46 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.47 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West Lounge.

H.K. Union Church Management Committee Meeting, Church Hall, Kennedy Road, after Morning Service.
S. and S. Home Social Hour, 8.30 p.m.

14—Tides: High 2.42 a.m. and 1.34 p.m. Low: 7.06 a.m. and 8.24 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.47 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Committee Meeting, 5.45 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Office, 3 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.
H.E. the Governor visits School for the Deaf, 3.30 p.m.

15—Tides: High 3.33 a.m. and 2.14 p.m. Low: 8.22 a.m. and 9.02 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.43 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

S. and S. Home, Prayer and Fellowship Meeting, 8.30 p.m.

16—Tides: High 4.21 a.m. and 2.51 p.m. Low: 9.25 a.m. and 9.42 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.48 a.m.; Sunset: 8.10 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

17—Tides: High 5.11 a.m. and 4.12 p.m. Low: 11.09 a.m. and 10.27 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.48 a.m.; Sunset: 8.10 p.m.
Northcote Training College distribution of Certificates and Prizes, 11 a.m.

St. Andrew's Church Wartime Intercession Service, 6.30 p.m.
H.E. the Governor receives Committee of Po Leung Kuk, at Government House, 12 noon.

St. Andrew's Club Social Evening, 8.45 p.m.
Miniature Horse Racing, Club de Recreio, King's Park.

18—Tides: High 5.54 a.m. and 6.12 p.m. Low: 12.42 a.m. and 11.18 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.49 a.m.; Sunset: 8.10 p.m.
St. Paul's Girls' College Speech Day and Prize-Giving, Lee Hysan Hall, 8 p.m.

19—Tides: High 6.43 a.m. and 7.01 p.m. Low: 1.30 a.m. and 10.07 p.m.
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20—Tides: High 7.31 a.m. and 7.49 p.m. Low: 2.19 a.m. and 10.55 p.m.
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RUSSIANS FULFILLING STALIN'S "SCORCHED EARTH POLICY"

HELSINKI, July 11 (Reuter).—Fulfilling Stalin's "scorched earth" policy, the Russians in the Ukraine are destroying as much as possible, says the correspondent of the Helsinki Sanomat with the German troops in the Ukraine.

The Russians are specially concentrating on rendering useless gas and water services and electric communications. Not all grain stocks were destroyed because some were still green.

All signs point to sanguinary fighting having taken place and German soldiers confirm reports of Russian soldiers' bravery.

The correspondent, who was a member of a party of ten foreign journalists who made the journey, says that the Germans were surprised by the quality of the Russian armoured cars.

GERMAN CLAIMS

"With the conclusion of the double battle of Bialystok and Minsk the greatest amount of war material in world history has been captured," according to a special German High Command communiqué issued last night.

"A total of 323,818 prisoners, including several generals and divisional commanders, fell into our hands, and 3,332 tanks and 1,809 guns, as well as an innumerable quantity of other war material were captured."

"Thus the total number of prisoners has been increased to over 400,000."

"Material captured or destroyed includes 7,615 tanks and 4,432 guns."

"The Soviet Air Force has up to now lost 6,233 planes."

SOVIET COMMUNIQUE

LONDON, July 11 (BWS).—While the latest German communiqué gives no details of recent fighting on the Russian front, a Soviet communiqué broadcast at midday yesterday gives a full account of the position on each of the various fronts.

The communiqué shows that all German attempts to break through to Leningrad, Moscow or Kiev are still being frustrated.

Text of the Russian communiqué is as follows:—

"During the day of the 9th and a night between the 9th/10th

large scale fighting continued in the directions of Polotsk and Novograd-Volynsk.

"In the Ostrov direction our troops repelled all attacks by the enemy with great losses to him."

"In the Polotsk direction stubborn fighting continued, our troops carrying out resolute counter-attacks."

LEPEL FIGHTING

"In fighting in the Lepel direction our troops destroyed a motorized division of German troops, up to 40 guns and a great quantity of transport and special vehicles."

"In the direction of Borisov our units inflicted a serious defeat on one of the enemy divisions."

"In the direction of Bobruisk our troops are firmly holding occupied positions."

"In the direction of Novograd-Volynsk our troops are checking the advance of large enemy forces."

BESSARABIA SECTOR

"In the Bessarabian sector of the front the offensive of the enemy is meeting with strong resistance on the part of our troops."

"In other sectors of the front there were no large-scale fighting operations."

"Our air force destroyed up to 100 enemy tanks during the second half of the day of the 9th and continued fighting operations against enemy troops in the direction of Ostrov and Novograd-Volynsk during the night between the 9th/10th."

SURPRISE FOR JAPANESE

MOSCOW, July 11 (Reuter).—A "nasty surprise for the Japanese," was the Moscow radio announcer's comment on Germany's latest propaganda film meant to illustrate the operations against the Red Army.

The film purports to depict "atrocities" of the Soviet Air Force against "defenceless populations," but the Moscow radio announcer pointed out that the "picture could immediately be

BOMBING INCIDENTS IN S'HAU

CHUNGKING, July 11 (Central).—A handgrenade was thrown into the Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters at Nantao shortly after 5 p.m. on July 7 and exploded, causing some damage, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

The Japanese immediately cordoned off the area, barred entrance into and exit from Nantao and instituted a close search.

However, no arrest was made.

Around 6 o'clock in the morning an explosive was also thrown into the bogus Nantao Police Headquarters but did not explode. Puppet policemen made a chase for the thrower but failed to get him.

AXIS EMBASSIES IN CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, July 11 (Central).—The German and Italian Embassy staffs will leave Chungking on July 25 and 15 respectively following China's severance of diplomatic relations with Germany and Italy.

They will be escorted by the Chinese Government as far as the border.

It is learned that German and Italian residents in China are also preparing to leave China but no definite date has yet been fixed for their departure.

N.Z.-CHINA IDENTITY OF IDEALS

WELLINGTON, July 11 (Reuter).—Although the Chinese and New Zealanders are not engaged in the same theatre of war I feel certain that they are nearer each other than ever before in thought, ideals and spirit," declared the Chinese Consul-General, Mr. Wang Feng, to a gathering of Chinese citizens here yesterday.

"At the beginning of the fifth year of the Sino-Japanese War I expressed deep gratitude to New Zealand for the moral support given to China in the last four years."

He assured New Zealanders of his great sympathy in their struggle and said that they must envisage the day when the British and Chinese would lead the way to world Democracy and a new international order.

recognised by anyone who knows the region as being pictures taken during the bombing of Kansu by the Japanese fleet air arm.

"Details of the landscape and of the operations carried out leave no doubt as to the origin of the film."

AMERICAN WIFE IS UNWILLING TO RETURN TO BOMBS

Nazi bombing has put a British matrimonial problem in front of Judge Isidor Wasservogel in New York Supreme Court, and the crux is this: Is it a wife's duty to remain on duty with her husband, even in danger? This news item appeared recently in the "Daily Mail."

Mr. F. Hugh Treherne-Thomas, a manager at the Swansea works of Richard Thomas and Co., the big steel and tinplate manufacturers, wants his American wife to return from New York, with their two children, to their home near Swansea.

Judge Wasservogel reserved his decision yesterday on a suit for legal separation brought by Mrs. Treherne-Thomas.

The wife claims that her husband's letters, accusing her of not doing her duty, are "cruel, inhuman treatment."

"STATE OF EXCITEMENT"

She declared in the particulars of her suit that Nazi bombings have placed the "people of Great Britain in a state of excitement, tension, and apprehension." There was, she said, "great danger, risk, and hazard of the life, welfare, and happiness of the children." Their home at Killay, near Swansea, was continuously threatened by bombing, she added. One of the letters said to have been sent by her husband read:

"HOME NO LONGER"

"My home is home no longer, and never will be until you return and we can live happily together, like 40,000,000 other people, mere especially with all the favours of wealth and luck that have been showered on us in providing a beautiful home and all the chances of a happy family life."

The husband's attorney pleaded for dismissal on the grounds that the New York courts have no jurisdiction.

Mr. Treherne-Thomas denied his wife's allegation. She refused to come home, he said, despite an agreement to return promptly, after leaving England last June.

Yesterday I visited the home Fairwood Lodge, a picturesque old house, with its own home farm, about five miles from Swansea.

I found that only a few chance bombs have fallen in the district.

EVACUEES THERE

Children evacuated from England are living there, under the care of Mr. Treherne-Thomas's mother, who keeps house for him.

Mr. Treherne-Thomas who is one of the divisional heads of the Swansea Special Constabulary, has done conspicuous service during recent air raids.

He has been much upset by his wife's action. "I am sorry that I cannot make any statement," he said to me. "I am amazed that such an action has been filed, and I shall fight it."

A close friend of the family told me: "Last year, because of the invasion threat, Mr. Treherne-Thomas sent his wife and two children—Rhoda, aged 13, and David Hugh, aged six—to Canada. Mrs. Treherne-Thomas was before her marriage Miss Margaret Wherry, daughter of Mr. William Wherry, of New York."

Enemy Ships In Cherbourg, Havre Blasted By Blenheim Bombers Of Royal Air Force

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communiqué states that early yesterday afternoon formations of Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command, escorted by fighters, attacked enemy shipping in the ports of Cherbourg and Havre.

Six ships totalling over 30,000 tons were hit by bombs and it is considered that each of the vessels is a total loss. Quays, dockside buildings and gun emplacements were also bombed.

AACHEN RAID

Aircraft of the Bomber Command did great damage at Aachen on Wednesday night, states the Air Ministry.

This town on the frontier between Belgium and Germany, better known as Aix la Chapelle, was cleared for modern industry and development by a huge conflagration in 1855 which destroyed 90 per cent. of its buildings. It lies in a district rich in mineral wealth, has many industries, and is an important railway town.

It has been attacked by the R.A.F. before but not very often and certainly never on such a scale as last night.

As the attackers, undeterred by incessant artillery or patrolling fighters, passed through the defences, the town was brightly lit first by the moon and then by drifting flares, and last by great fires.

LINES OF FIRE

The attack was all over in about an hour, and by that time the railway junction had been hit and factories were set alight. There were parallel lines of fire across the town and towards the end, it was often difficult, in the confusion of fire and smoke, to see how much damage each new bomb had done.

After one aircraft had showered its incendiaries across the railway, there were 12 violent explosions.

CHEMICAL WORKS ATTACKED. Another Air Ministry communiqué issued early yesterday afternoon states that heavy bombers with a fighter escort attacked the chemical-works and the adjoining

railway siding at Choques near Bethune.

In the course of these operations the escorting fighters had fierce engagements with enemy fighters which were unable to prevent the British bombers from hitting their targets.

Twelve enemy fighters were destroyed in these combats, ten British fighters and two bombers are missing.

R.A.F. ATTACK ON NAPLES

LONDON, July 11 (British Wireless).—Yesterday's Italian communiqué states that the R.A.F. heavily bombed Naples during Wednesday night.

Although no claim has yet officially made by the British Air Ministry it is authoritatively stated that the R.A.F. did attack Naples during the night of July 9/10 but that details have not yet been fully received in London.

It is presumed that an announcement on the raid will be made soon from the R.A.F. headquarters in the Middle East in the usual way.

SECRET DEBATE ON HOME DEFENCE

LONDON, July 11 (British Wireless).—Announcing the forthcoming Parliamentary business the Lord Privy Seal stated that on the last of the next three sitting days there would be a debate in secret session on Home Defence.

GERMANY'S NEW BLITZ WEAPONS

BY PIERRE HUSS

Berlin.—Developed and improved tenfold since the World War and adapted in 1940 battlefields to blitz tactics, liquid fire and artificial fog was employed as shock weapons against the Allies in this year's offensive by specially trained units of Hitler's armies.

Both proved their military value, contributing in important manner to the crackup of Polish resistance and last May and June to the collapse of Dutch and Belgian fortified lines and finally to the downfall of the Maginot's key-points. Their almost indispensable aid to blitzkrieg tactics has been kept purposely in the background and out of the limelight but the German High Command now has seen fit to lift the lid somewhat. The information contained below is therefore published with the German High Command as its source.

As early as a year ago it became evident through newsreels and published photos that German troops, in practicing attacks on the Maginot, were making extensive use of liquid fire. In looking at Maginot and also Belgian fortified key-points after their capitulation last spring, I noticed repeatedly that the outside face and steel cores of the great underground points were usually charred black.

The direction of attack was always identifiable through a black patch of burned ground leading from some distance to the fortified point.

The explanation lay therein, of course that liquid fire had been played on the firing loopholes and thus had compelled those inside to quit shooting and close the slide. Trained German soldiers then rushed up and placed high explosive charges against the turrets and gave the key-point its death-blow or otherwise compelled those inside to surrender.

FIRST USED IN 1915

Liquid fire staged its entry on the scene for the first time in the woods of Malancourt in front of Verdun, February 26th, 1915. The French were puny-stricken and fled their trenches to a depth of 1800 feet. Satisfied with the effect, the German High Command of that time decided to expand the liquid fire company of 50 men into one battalion, and later even organized one regiment of them.

Artificial fog is the twin of liquid fire in blitz attacks of the present war, particularly where fortified positions of the Maginot type are in question. It was used in the World War to hide troop movements and often was spread by planes. Hitler's blitzkrieg, brain-trust has worked magic since then, not only with the effectiveness of the artificial fog in its chemical nature and dissemination through

special units, but in the tactical application of this weapon.

Very careful German observation of the effects of such artificial fog implanted in the enemy's midst has produced vital conclusions, as summarized by an expert: "It provokes immediate confusion not far from panic. In fact, the morale effect is tremendous and must not be underestimated. These fog shells last long and therefore it is not a matter of holding out for some minutes on the part of the enemy. On the contrary, the fog gets darker and darker. Soon the enemy is wrapped up in semi-darkness and over him creeps a feeling of helplessness."

"He can't see his officer or even the man next to him. He loses his sense of direction and therewith he must hesitate. The prospect of losing himself and getting separated from his comrades and the opposite prospect of enemy soldiers or tanks jumping upon him begin to play havoc with him. He hesitates, or gets rattled, and as was shown every time on the battle fields last year, he soon is a ripe victim for the advancing German soldier."

TWO SHAKE HANDS

Artificial fog is fired until advancing soldiers signal their arrival in front of enemy position. It is here that liquid fire shakes hands with artificial fog and by the time the blind clouds have lifted from around a key-point, the red tongue of flames is already licking the firing loopholes and covering the final dashes of dynamiting squads. Dozens of points may be and at time were under attack at once, and scores upon scores of liquid fire tongues were shooting away in almost melodramatic form at the Maginot as banks of artificial fog lifted away and German troops ran forward for the final work of conquest.

Barbed wire can be cut, mines made harmless and bridges crossed while fog enwraps the enemy. Like liquid fire units, the artificial fog companies of the German Army are everywhere on hand where battle looms.

They are motorized and equipped to meet all kinds of geographical requirements. Among these special troops, liquid fire and artificial fog alike, are everything from weather experts to hose wards. They have their own technical observers and officers.

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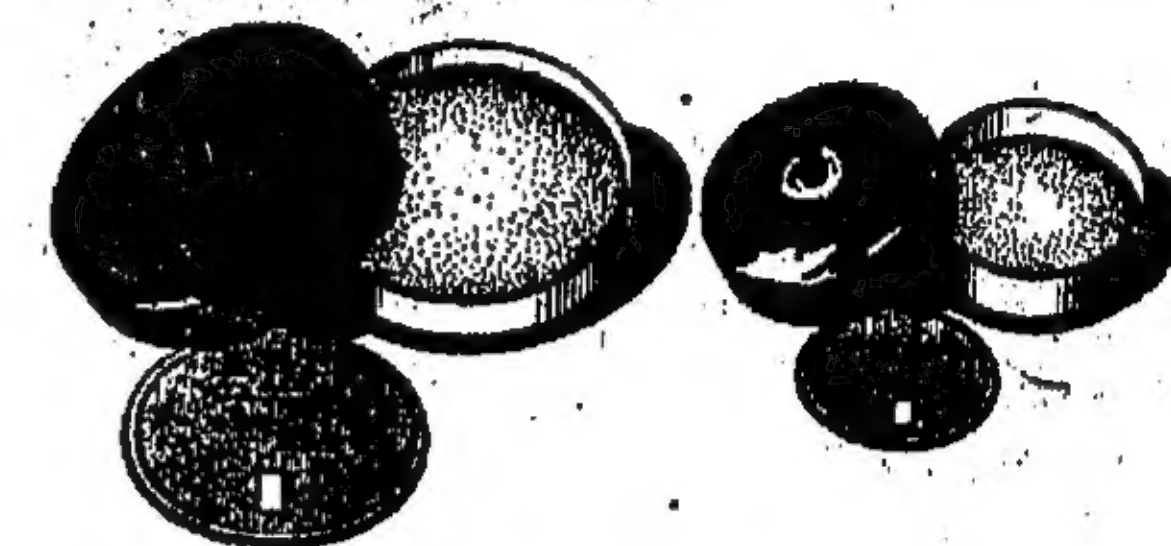
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KING GEORGE V MEMORIAL FUND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

A statement of accounts in connection with the King George V Memorial Fund as at May 31, 1941, issued yesterday, reveals that donations amounted to \$158,368.56. With the addition of interest allowed by the Government, the total is \$163,094.40.

Expenditure inclusive of architects fees, site formation, drainage, etc., bronze gate, laying-out, turfing and fencing, totalled \$69,194.80, leaving a balance in hand of \$93,899.80.

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS

Mr. Fok Chi Ting headed the list of subscribers with \$20,000, other leading contributions being: H.K. & Shanghai Bank, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. Eu Tong Sen, C.B.E., \$10,000 each; Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons, \$8,097.45; Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Asiatic Petroleum Co., Ltd., \$5,000 each; Chinese General Chamber of Commerce \$3,621.38; H.K. Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., H.K. Tramways, Ltd., H.K. Telephone Co., Ltd., H.K. Electric Co., Ltd., Chartered Bank, Butterfield & Swire and Associated Companies, \$2,500 each; British-American Tobacco Co., Ltd., and Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co., Ltd., \$2,000 each.

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Unlicensed Export Of Petrol

Lo Yau, foki of the Kong Tai Transportation Co., of No. 247, Des Voeux Road, Central, third floor, and Lai Yuen-chu, master of junk No. 1965V, appeared before Mr. S. F. Balfour at the D. O. South yesterday on various charges in connection with Defence Regulations No. 50 of 1940, on July 10.

The first charge, against both defendants, was that of having committed an act preparatory to exporting 3,000 tins of gasoline by having same on board the junk in Cheung Chau Harbour, which is outside the Hongkong Harbour limits.

Second defendant was charged with having the gasoline on board his junk while moored in a place other than a Dangerous Goods anchorage.

THIRD CHARGE

The third charge, also against both accused, was that of exporting the gasoline from Hongkong without a licence from the Controller of Trade.

On conviction, first defendant was fined \$500 on both charges while second accused was fined \$100 on the second count with a conviction registered against him on the first and third charge.

Inspector McMahon prosecuted.

DAMP TUNNEL

Due to the damp condition of the tunnel at A.R.P. Emergency Headquarters, the Communications Exercises scheduled to be held on July 18 has been cancelled, said Mr. B. H. Puckle, Deputy Director of A.R.P., at the weekly Press conference yesterday.

The work of lining the roof, sides and floor of the tunnel with concrete has not been completed, explained Mr. Puckle, with the result that there has been some seepage.

I Ting-ping, director of the Pinglo office of the Kwangsi War Area Goods Inspectorate of the Ministry of Finance, was executed on Wednesday by order of the National Military Council for corruption.

Claim For Possession Of Premises

Judgment Awarded To Plaintiff

Stating that he was satisfied that defendant was frequently in arrears with his rent and that he had failed to pay the same within a fortnight after it had been demanded, Mr. Justice P.E.F. Creswell at the Summary Court yesterday gave judgment to plaintiff in the case in which Tank Cheong, managing partner of the Kapok Bakery, of No. 1 Rutland Quadrant, Kowloon Tong, claimed possession of the first floor of No. 312 Hennessy Road from To Wing, the tenant.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. F.I. Zimmerman and defendant by Mr. Alfred Y. Hon.

THE JUDGMENT

Giving judgment his Lordship said —

The only question for decision here is whether the defendant was in default in the payment of the rent after demand had been made and, if he was, then the Court is precluded from exercising the powers given to it by section 3(2) and (3) of the Ordinance. Having heard the evidence I am satisfied that the defendant was frequently in arrears with his rent and that he failed to pay the same within a fortnight after it had been demanded by the landlord.

Tenants must realize that if they wish to take advantage of the protection afforded them by the Ordinance they must carry out their contractual obligations to their landlords.

There will therefore be judgment for the plaintiff for possession of the premises within six weeks from date; mesne profits at \$40.00 per month from 1st day of 4th moon i.e. 26.4.41 until delivery of possession, with costs.

ORDINANCE MISUNDERSTOOD

It will be recalled that in the course of the proceedings his Lordship remarked on the apparent misunderstanding which seemed to exist among the tenants in regard to protection afforded them by the Prevention of Eviction Ordinance. His Lordship stated that tenants appeared to be under the impression that the Ordinance was enacted for their protection solely and because of this protection they could owe rents and still be protected.

STRANDED MINES

DANGER TO LIFE AND PROPERTY

The Naval Authorities give notice that during Typhoon Weather moored mines are liable to break adrift. Whilst adrift these mines are safe, but if they drift ashore among rocks and are pounded on the coast, they are liable to explode.

Any person seeing a mine ashore (or drifting near the shore) should at once telephone the nearest Police Station, giving the locality and the exact position of the mine, with reference to a house, pier or beach.

A Naval party will then be sent to render the mine harmless, but until that has been done all persons should keep clear of an area within a quarter of a mile of the mine, any dwellings within this area being evacuated temporarily.

TYPHOON REPORT

According to a Manila report a typhoon is situated east of south Luzon moving W. N. W. but the Hongkong Royal Observatory expressed confidence that the week-end would remain undisturbed.

The present track of the typhoon suggests that it is coming in the path of the Colony but at the present it is at least 600 miles away.

Verandah Collapse

The first floor verandah of No. 25 Sai Street, in the Western district, suddenly collapsed last night about 10.40 p.m., but fortunately with no one on it at the time.

The Police were summoned and coolies of the Public Works Department were soon on the scene clearing the road of the debris.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

HEARING FIXED

Lee Woon-chung, accountant of the Kai Chung Hing Import and Export firm, No. 13, Queen's Street, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with attempting to export 18 catties of tin sheet to Shanghai without having first obtained a permit from the Controller of Trade, on May 28.

Hearing was fixed for July 16, at 11.30 a.m.

Det.-Insp. J. O'Donovan is prosecuting.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Charged with behaving in a disorderly manner by being drunk and shouting at Sai Street, near Upper Lascar Road, on July 11, Cheung Hau-ming, 36, described as a foki of the Immigration Office, and Tang Shu-cheng, 34, were each fined \$10 by Mr. Lowry.

Insp. S. C. Saunders prosecuted.

DANGEROUS DRIVING

Mak Lu-fai, of No. 39, Lockhart Road, was fined \$15 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon for overtaking when rounding a bend in Pokfulam Road on June 15, while driving public car No. 525.

Mr. F. W. Shaftain, A. D. C. I., was travelling in a Police car which, in order to avoid a collision, had to mount the pavement. Traffic Sgt. J. Hunter stated defendant had a clear record.

UNLICENSED DRIVER

A. G. Rehman, of No. 8, Canal Road West, was fined \$20 by Mr. Sheldon on summonses for driving car No. 978 without a valid licence and for failing to report an accident in Queen's Road East.

TRAFFIC SUMMONSES

Pleading guilty, by letter, to a summons for parking car No. 2864 for an unnecessary period at Queen's Road Central, Mrs. A. Matland, of No. 2, Branksome Towers, was fined \$5 by Mr. Sheldon.

Mrs. R. J. Wong, of No. 10, Dragon Terrace, Causeway Bay, was cautioned for driving a car on a closed section of Wellington Street.

Traffic Sgt. R. Paton prosecuted. A summons against S. Davies, of Lyeemun Barracks, for driving car No. 4393 without a valid licence in Gloucester Road, near Tonnochy Road, was remanded for a week.

(Traffic Sgt. H. Dingsdale is in charge of the case.)

SOUNDING HORNS

Following the issue of leaflets, in both the English and Chinese languages, by the Hongkong Automobile Association with the approval of the Commissioner of Police, which were sent out with renewed licences, to motorists appealing for a mitigation of the horn-sounding nuisance, eight persons were summoned before Mr. Sheldon yesterday for sounding the horns of their cars unnecessarily.

Six of the defendants were fined \$5 each, one was discharged with a caution, while the summons against one was adjourned until next Friday.

Traffic Sgt. R. Paton prosecuted.

TAILOR SENT TO PRISON

Convicted of a charge of causing grievous bodily harm to Wong Ming-ko, 29, tailor, at the Coffee Plantation, behind the Tung Wah Hospital, on Apr. 2, Chan Cheung-shan, 36, tailor, of No. 15, Shing Wo Road, ground floor, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Defendant, who admitted a further charge of breach of deportation order, was sentenced to serve an additional six months.

In evidence yesterday, defendant said that complainant was given \$184 for temporary safe keeping by a pickpocket early this year. Instead, complainant took out \$94 out of this sum and threw a dinner party, which idea that pickpocket did not like and he, the pickpocket, chopped him. Defendant added that he did owe complainant some money, but it was only \$60 odd and not \$300 odd as claimed by complainant.

HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on July 10:—

Cerebro-spinal fever, two cases; Cholera, 11 cases; Diphtheria, two cases; Dysentery, nine cases; Enteric fever, four cases; Tuberculosis, 48 cases.

AT KOWLOON

THEFT OF CAR COVER

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday on Chan Leung, 18, unemployed, for stealing a car cover valued at \$10, property of Tse Fat, mechanic, from private car No. 3794, parked in Nathan Road on July 10.

Sgt. J. Dempsey prosecuted.

ALLEGED PIRACY

Before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, So Tai, 33, master of boat No. 7222A, Shek Chi-fai, 23, Li Chun, 35, Li Leung-sang, 24, Chui Kwan, 41, Chan Luk, 31 and Li Yuen, 32, foks of the same boat, charged with robbing Tse Yung of a canvas awning, 15 catties of rice and \$6 Chinese currency, Wong Sung of a towel and Man Choi of one suit black pongee clothing and watch, on board class IV boat No. 1331P, were remanded for 72 hours for further enquiries.

Acting Det. Sub.-Insp. A. F. Estall prosecuted.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

A 14-year-old boy was charged before Mr. Anderson with the manslaughter of Leung Fung-kit, 16, at Mongkok, and was remanded for a week.

ACCOMPLICES GAOLED

For aiding and abetting an alleged thief to steal by trick a quantity of gold foils valued at \$18 from a shop at No. 649 Shanghai Street, Pang Chuen, 40 and Li Wing, 42, unemployed, were charged before Mr. Anderson.

First defendant was additionally charged with breach of a deportation order.

First defendant, who had seven previous convictions, was sentenced to four months' hard labour while second defendant, with three previous convictions, was given six months.

Det.-Sgt. J. Johnston prosecuted.

COMMITTAL PROCEEDINGS

Further hearing of the committal case in which three Sanitary Department coolies, Mok Wah, Pau Shiu-chuen, and Li Kwan were charged with demanding \$330 with menaces on June 17 and June 18 from Shu Shiu and Kong Tai with intent to steal same, was adjourned to July 18 and July 22, by Mr. Macnamara.

Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios appeared for second and third accused.

Det.-Sgt. N. B. Fraser prosecuted.

MARINE COURT

Fines of \$5 were imposed by Cmdr. J. Jolly yesterday on two men and five women, boat people, charged with having dredged for coal in Wanchai Bay without lawful authority for doing the same.

UNKNOWN BOY IN WILL TRACED

EDINBURGH.—An eight weeks' search for an unknown boy whom an aged Glasgow shopkeeper, Miss Mary Dempsey, merely referred to in her will as "Master Bruce," ended when it was decided by her solicitor that the boy was thirteen-year-old Robert Bruce, crippled son of an engine driver, of Saracen-street, Glasgow. It is believed that the boy will get £200.

He called at the solicitor's office with his father and was told that he had given enough evidence to prove that he was the right claimant.

Robert said that the first thing he would do with the money would be to repay his parents £20, the cost of an artificial limb which they had just bought him.

*R.A.F. OFFICER FINED \$25

Flying Officer Jack Brandt of the R.A.F., Seletar, was fined \$25 in the District Traffic Court for driving in other than a careful manner along Orchard Road in Singapore and thereby colliding with another car driven by Capt. J. G. Jesson, R.A.M.C.

Capt. Jesson was acquitted on a similar charge.

The prosecution alleged that the defendant stopped to let down a passenger at the Cyrene Cafe. To do so, he turned the car round. Before the turn was completed, another car driven by Capt. Jesson collided with the rear of defendant's car and overturned.

A lady passenger, Miss Butterworth, was injured in the accident.

POSSESSION OF RAW OPIUM

Heavy Fine Imposed On Chinese Woman

A 29-year-old married woman, Leung Fong, of No. 183, Shaikwan Main Street, first floor, was fined \$250 or three months' imprisonment by Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy for possession of 17 taels of raw opium at her house on June 24.

Defendant was presented by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, who pleaded not guilty.

Senior Revenue Officer W. V. Ahern, who prosecuted, said that on or about 1.45 a.m. on June 24, he carried out a raid on defendant's house. On entering the premises, he found defendant sleeping in a bed in the middle cubicle, which she claimed was hers.

LOCKED TIN

Found in the room was a locked kerosene tin, which defendant said that it belonged to a certain person who had gone out. Later she produced three keys two of which opened the lock on the tin inside which were found two packages of opium.

Defendant, in evidence, said that the tin was left in her house by a travelling trader and that she had no idea of what was its contents.

Convicted of the charge, she was fined and the contraband goods ordered confiscated.

ANOTHER CASE

In another case, Yan Kwai, 39, shop manager, of No. 222, Shaikwan Road, ground floor, was fined \$10 for possession of more than five taels of Government prepared opium without a licence from the Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

It was stated that defendant had in his possession 15 taels, which were 11 taels more than that allowed by law. The excessive quantity was ordered confiscated.

Defendant was represented by Mr. Russ, who said that his client was not aware of the fact that it was an offence to have more than five taels.

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A. H. K. COBB,

General Manager.

Hong Kong, 10th July, 1941.

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AIR ONSLAUGHT ON GERMANY

THE INCREASING intensity and relentlessness of the R.A.F. raids on Germany and German-occupied territory indicate how resolutely Britain is determined to make the best use of the respite which has been accorded her while the Nazis are engaged on their eastern frontier against Soviet Russia. Herr Hitler's complacency in imagining that he was safe enough to embark on his Soviet campaign with his western front intact must now be rudely shaken and he has been forced to acknowledge that he is now fighting on two fronts and that is something which we have been told, over and over again, he has been desperately anxious to avoid. From the moment that he turned his eyes east in order to obtain a few more swift victories with which to console his people for his failure to fulfil his promise to bring England to her knees, the R.A.F., in response to the call made to them to take full advantage of his new pre-occupation, have unleashed attack after attack on the heart of Germany's industrial centres and communications. Thus, while Herr Hitler may still hope to gain his end against Russia, he is slowly, but steadily losing the battle for air supremacy which, to him, particularly, is an important factor in his war plans.

THE FULL EFFECT of these ceaseless raids by the R.A.F. is already beginning to make itself apparent. Apart from the serious damage which has been done to important industrial towns in North-West Germany, making conditions in some of them "pitiable"—to use the description of a Berlin radio announcer—enemy shipping in German-occupied ports have fared disastrously at the hands of British airmen, over 105,000 tons having been destroyed and damaged for the week ending July 7. The Nazis must be finding it increasingly difficult to conceal from their people the un-

COLONY THANKED BY HOME GOVT.

The following telegram has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

Please inform Legislative Council that His Majesty's Government are most appreciative of the Hongkong Government's decision to bear the cost of four mine-sweepers at present under construction in Hongkong for the Admiralty, and especially since they are aware of the considerable expenditure which the Colony is at present incurring on local defensive measures.

A copy of the telegram will be laid on the Table at the next meeting of the Legislative Council.

CAPT. BALFOUR ON TOUR

Capt. H. H. Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air, and seven British officials, travelling by air to Canada, landed on Prince Edward Island on Thursday night.

They were expected to continue their journey yesterday to Montreal where they will conduct a tour of all R.A.F. schools.

SHAMSHUIPO PRAYA INCIDENT

A woman, aged about 33 years, walked to the praya wall off Tung Chau Street, in Shamshui, and jumped into the harbour in full sight of many boat people from junks anchored nearby.

They rowed to the spot where she was believed to have entered the water but it was not until some time had elapsed before they succeeded in locating the woman who was already dead when brought to the surface.

The body was brought to the Kowloon Public Mortuary.

doubted efficiency of the British air force now and Herr Hitler's harassed and sleepless population will find it hard to maintain sufficient calm and morale to carry on their war efforts. Reports which speak of the evacuation of Germans from the districts which are being subjected to the most systematic bombing by the R.A.F. are proof that the Germans are now on the receiving end of the air war and that they are by no means comfortable or unperturbed by what is happening.

DURING the whole course, which the Battle of Britain has now run, the British calmly endured all the ruthlessness of the German air attacks on their towns and villages. Uncomplainingly they went about their duties and labour harder to fit and equip their own air strength for the reply which they were resolved to give the Nazis for their wanton and indiscriminate attacks on British soil. Those efforts have been steadily implemented by the flow of planes and material from the United States and the cream of youth which has come from the Dominions and Colonies to provide the man-power for the British air force. These efforts are still being continued unabated and, as the Minister for Aircraft Production, Col. Moore-Brabazon, said in the House of Commons on Thursday, it will not be many months now before the raids on London will be child's play compared to the onslaught which would be launched from the air on the capital of the Reich. More and more is the tide steadily turning in favour of Britain and her Allies. The Nazi boast of the invulnerability of the German sky from attack has been completely discredited and Herr Hitler is even now feverishly trying to remove his centres of production further east and away from the reach of the British airmen.

CORRESPONDENCE

JUNGLE TOPICS

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir—Among the old chestnuts which still go off with a dusty pop—mothers-in-law, babies nappies, the Immigration Scandal, income-tax, sergeant-majors, and the rest—the Hongkong Urban Council has a fairly honourable place. On the long chain of democracy, which we re-furbish with such vigour every twenty years or so, it—the Urban Council—hangs like a clumsy and antiquated bead which no one expects to shine. Its proceedings have been so often burlesqued, its chairman so often gaudied, that probably many people think of it, when they think of it at all, in terms of music-hall or comic broadcast: as something so dead and ineffectual in reality that it must be made fun of to be kept alive at all. Yet this same chestnut is part of Hongkong's alleged democracy. It is one section of the Colony's parliament.

A Colony like Hongkong cannot, or at least should not, be run by a combination of carelessness and smug indifference to what can be and ought to be done, or a combination of grandiose ideas and a serious misconception of everything fundamental to rural life.

Our funny old Urban Council has fought against the closing of the village pumps, against rats, cases of bad sanitation, and the long-windedness of the late Sanitary Board. They have fought against the deep-crust, imperious, class-ridden autocracy of District Officers and the like, whose contribution to village life could be measured only by the visiting bicycle (on fine afternoons and to the right people), the doffed hat, and the frog-cold smile. They have fought for better round-houses, safer corners, bus shelters, cleaner nullahs and streets. And with what result? To hear again and again the parrot-cry: "The Urban Council never does anything right."

As long as the Urban Council functions the rural labourer can get a picul of Night-Soil for Sixty (60) cents in the New Territories. The moment either the Council or the Night-Soil becomes extinct these privileges, and perhaps the rural labourer with them, become extinct also. Long may both continue.

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NEWSETTES

His Excellency the Governor will visit the School for the Deaf on Monday, July 14, at 3.30 p.m.

Mr. J. L. Worledge will leave Government House on Thursday next, July 17.

Mr. Strange, of the Colonial Secretariat, has reported to the Police of the theft of \$43.52 from his office on Thursday.

His Excellency the Governor will receive the Committee of the Po Leung Kuk at noon on Thursday next, July 17, at Government House.

Preparations have been completed by the Central Bank of China for the opening of a branch office in Nanning, the former capital of Kwangsi.

Mr. L. E. Rougetel, new Counsellor to the British Embassy in Chungking replacing Mr. P. M. Broadmead, arrived in Chungking from Hongkong by plane on Thursday morning.

The so-called 3rd Regiment of the National Salvation and Reconstruction Army organised by the Wang Ching-wel regime stationed at Shouhsien in north Anhwei was recently surrounded and disarmed by the Japanese. Its commander Wang Fu-tao was arrested.

The wedding took place recently at Holy Trinity Cathedral, of Cecil Douglas Longhurst, formerly of Enfield, Middlesex, and Susan Edna, wife, Down, formerly of Card, Somerset. The Very Rev. A. O. S. Trivett officiated. The bride was given away by Mr. W. S. Burns. Miss L. A. M. Mann was bridesmaid, while Mr. C. W. Porter attended the bridegroom as best man.

RICE MONOPOLY FAILURE

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir—Some days ago a friend of mine bought some "Grade A" rice from a shop in Hennessy Road at the price of \$5 for 30 catties, or \$16.67 per picul. Finding it to be inferior to a lot of the same grade bought some ten days previously from the same shop, he forwarded samples of both lots to the Rice Controller.

He was informed that the first lot was better than the official "Grade B" and that the second lot was inferior to the official "Grade C." He was further informed that the sample was not the Rice Monopoly's, grading and that it was obvious that the retailers in question mixed their own rice for the purpose of sale. The shop was later visited and the rice on sale was found to be in order. It is evident that my friend actually paid 16 2/3 cents per catty for a grade of rice which is actually Grade C-D.

When it is recalled that just before the establishment of the Rice Monopoly, first class rice (official Government rice) could be bought for less than 15 cents per catty, the increase since the establishment of the Government Rice Monopoly has been enormous.

The wholesale merchants have been deprived of their right to sell direct to the retailers because they were accused of profiteering—that is, of boosting up prices for their own benefit. The wholesale merchants are still with us, but they are selling to the Rice Monopoly instead of to the retailers. The price continues to increase and we are getting poorer but dearer rice.

Who is profiteering now? Which is the greater evil—the wholesale dealer or the Government Monopoly?

Thanking you for the space.

Yours, etc.

A VICTIM.

RICE "GRADING"

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir—With reference to your splendid article in your paper on "Price Control System" now in force in this colony, may I call your particular attention to the so-called "grading of rice"?

I was passing by the window of the wholesale department of the Government Rice Monopoly the other day and noticed with great interest the exhibits of rice samples, particularly the plate and bottle marked "Grade D."

Now, this grade is much cheaper in price than the Grades A, B and C, but it contains hardly any broken rice, while other grades, with the exception of "Grade A," contains a considerable quantity of broken grain.

Is this a special kind of rice, inferior in some way to Grades A, B and C?

Yours, etc.

A CONSUMER.

FUNERAL OF MR. FRANK PETERS

The funeral took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday of Mr. Frank Peters, a visitor to the Colony, who died at the Kowloon Hospital on Wednesday.

The Rev. A. P. Rose, Chaplain-in-Charge of St. John's Cathedral, officiated at the graveside.

The late Mr. Peters was a stranger to Hongkong having, it was learned, arrived here only a few days before his demise.

JUMPED OFF FERRY

A 55-year-old male, Mo Yau, was admitted to Queen Mary Hospital, after he was alleged to have attempted suicide by jumping off the Yaumatei ferry Man Sang which was travelling from Mongkok to Hongkong yesterday at 7 p.m.

FRACTURED JAW

Mong Tin-yau, of No. 30 Po Kong Road, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital with a fractured jaw as a result of a fall while walking at Ngau Chi Wan, near the Kai Tak Aerodrome yesterday.

The National Military Council has decided to establish a Pension Board at Kwailin to facilitate the distribution of pensions to the families of the Kwangtung and Kwangsi soldiers disabled or killed in action.

PIANOFORTE RECITAL

MISS ROSABEL HSU'S SUCCESSFUL DEBUT

The first full pianoforte recital ever rendered in Hongkong by a Chinese artist was met with a very enthusiastic reception at the Peninsula Hotel last night, when music lovers enjoyed an opportunity to hear Miss Rosabel Hsu, F. V. C. L.

Miss Hsu is leaving in August for the United States, where she is scheduled to give recitals in all sections of the country in aid of the China Relief Committees. The performance last night may, therefore, be her last public appearance in Hongkong before her departure, though she is to play in a radio broadcast in the near future.

HIGH TECHNIQUE

Miss Hsu played through a varied and difficult programme and exhibited a high order of technique, being heartily applauded for every piece.

The programme was: English Suite (Bach)—Rondo in D major (Mozart)—Sonata Appassionata (Beethoven)—Ballade (Grieg)—"Jardins Sous la Pluie" (Debussy)—Nocturne in C minor; Valse in C sharp minor; and Polonaise in A flat major (Chopin).

WOMEN'S ROLE IN NEW LIFE MOVEMENT PRAISED

CHUNGKING (By Airmail): Contributions as well as the spirit of China's womanhood during the present struggle began a description, declared Madame Chiang Kai-shek in her speech given at the dinner at the New Life Centre on June 2 commemorating the third anniversary of the National Women's Advisory Committee of the New Life Movement of which the First Lady is the Director-General.

Madame Chiang said that the exhibits and data shown at the New Life Centre on the occasion of the anniversary celebration could hardly represent the turbulent activities and the colossal efforts of the Chinese women in various parts of the country during the wartime years. She compared the movement with the River Jordan, which unlike the Dead Sea, enriches the land it washes.

WELFARE WORK

The President of the Movement, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, also spoke enthusiastically of the achievements of the Chinese women under the guidance of their Advisory Committee. The Generalissimo particularly mentioned the welfare work for the wounded, the sick, and the families of the recruits, in addition to the well-planned projects for the care and training of war orphans.

"When our soldiers at the front and our reserves in camp realise that their folk back home are under such motherly care and receive such sisterly attention, they will be all the more grateful," added the Generalissimo, who stressed that with their present successes, the Advisory Committee is well on the way to changing the life of the nation.

Members of the Advisory Committee who attended the celebration and partook the New Life Dinner included: Mme. Ho Ying-chin, Mme. Chen Li-fu, Mme. Feng Yu-hsiang, Mme. Ma Chao-chun, Mme. Niu Yung-chien, Mme. K.C. Wu, Miss Chang Ai-chen and Miss Chen Yi-yun, and it is understood that the anniversary was celebrated throughout the country and by the Chinese communities in foreign lands.—(Central News).

GRAND SKATING CARNIVAL

It is learned that a meeting of representatives from the various skating rinks in the Colony will be held on Monday, July 21, at 5.30 p.m. at the offices of the Hongkong Mirror, in connection with the Grand Skating Carnival in aid of Chinese war funds.

A total of 5473 women and children have been rescued from the war areas in Kwangtung and are now being well taken care of by the Kwangtung Provincial Relief Commission. Of the number 404 were recently rescued from Hokkaido, Fushien, Toisan and Poonoy. The women have been given jobs either in factories or in reclamation centres while 333 children have been sent to Child Welfare Homes.

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH'S AIR TRAINING SCHEME IS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

"The British Commonwealth's air training plan is six months ahead of schedule. . . . It is and will continue to be the source of supply of crews to navigate British planes in the air war. We are doing that now and we will continue to do it," said MR. C. G. POWER, CANADIAN MINISTER FOR NATIONAL DEFENCE AND AIR, when he broadcast from London yesterday.

Mr. Power said that the broad principles of the air training scheme were accepted in September 1939 by Canada, Australia and New Zealand. The purpose of the plan was to gain air supremacy by which ultimate victory could be gained.

FULL BLAST

"To that end it was decided to train the greatest number of pilots and air crews possible," continued Mr. Power. "The Government of Canada is the manager of the plan and Canada was to supply eighty per cent of the equipment, necessary for the training. Australia and New Zealand were to send men for training. This, of course is in addition to the training being done in South Africa and Rhodesia."

"The scheme is the best example of co-ordination and co-operation which has been developed between the allied nation in this war. Its units are now going full blast in the struggle for air supremacy by supplying an ever-increasing flow of intrepid young men as air crews."

Mr. Power said that in May last year, the scheme had been started with 168 pupils. Today in pupils and graduates they had one-hundred times that number and many more—more in numbers than a division of infantry.

CREAM OF YOUTH

"It is a division such as has never been known before," continued Mr. Power. "It contains young men who have come from the United Kingdom, Newfoundland, the Straits Settlements and British residents of South America, Australia, New Zealand and many hundreds speaking with the accents of California, Virginia, Pennsylvania and New York. And they are no ordinary men either, but the cream of the youth of the liberty loving countries of the world—high school and college graduates."

VILLAGE FOR DISABLED SOLDIERS PLANNED

As a tribute to their heroic defence of the country and in order to safeguard their livelihood, the High Command of the South China War Zone is planning to build a village for disabled soldiers in the zone to be known as the "Honoured Warriors' Village."

The project will entail a total expenditure of some \$10,000,000, of which \$5,000,000 is to be appropriated by the Ministry of War, \$3,000,000 by the National Relief Commission, and the remaining \$2,000,000 to be raised in the South China War Zone and among overseas Chinese.

A site for the projected village, consisting of about 1,000 mow of undeveloped land, has been selected on the Kwangtung Kiangsi border. It is conveniently located and can be easily irrigated.

The idea of building a village for the care of the war disabled originated with Mr. Wu Chin, formerly Chief of the Political Department of the 62nd Army and now Magistrate of Lukfung. At a recent military conference of the South China War Zone, a resolution embodying the idea was unanimously adopted.

BRING FAMILIES

According to tentative plans, the number of disabled soldiers to be admitted into the village is temporarily set at 2,000, but they will be permitted to bring their families to live with them. It is figured that there will be 2,000 households and that if each household averages has three children, one of whom is of school age, the population of the village will consist of 4,000 adults, 2,000 children of school age, and another 1,000 children.

In accordance with the needs of this size of population, the village will have five lower primary schools, three higher primary schools, one continuation school, one vocational school, three to five health centres. Socially there will be a village guild and a public assembly hall capable of accommodating 1,000 persons. In addition, there will be a number of co-operatives, a public library, a recreation ground, and a club.

NORTHERN PUNITIVE EXPEDITION: 15TH ANNIVERSARY

CHUNGKING, July 11 (Central)

The 15th anniversary of the Northern Punitive Expedition by the Nationalist Army under the command of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was commemorated at a joint meeting of various government offices at the National Government headquarters yesterday. About 600 officials were present. Mr. Wu Chin-hui, member of the Kuomintang Central Supervisory Committee, who headed a flag to the Northern Punitive Expeditionary Force on behalf of the government authorities when it set out from Canton, presided over the meeting. He stressed in a speech the significance of the expedition.

HITLER CANNOT AFFORD DEFEAT OR DEADLOCK

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submarines in winning the Battle of the Atlantic.

"Herr Hitler, of course, protests against so abominable an outrage as the occupation of Iceland by the United States but what must have shocked him more than anything else is that Britain and the United States should have between them obtained the consent of the Icelanders to this occupation and promised to return to them their island with full independence after the war is over. In Herr Hitler's eyes these things should not be done."

FIERY DRAGON

Mr. Steed made a brief reference to the Far East where he said that there seemed to be a feeling in Tokyo that small things might one day turn into snakes. Tokyo might still find out if they continued to follow German example that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's multitudinous snakes would turn one day into a huge and fiery dragon which would swallow up the Japanese forces.

Referring to the Battle of Russia, Mr. Steed said that what was meant to be a lightning German advance on Leningrad and Moscow was not going so smoothly as Hitler expected.

"He, expected by this time to have taken Moscow and the battle to be over in three weeks," said Mr. Steed. "In looking at the details of the fighting on the Russian front it is noticeable that they differ greatly. I am only concerned now with the German accounts of the fighting. My interest is not only in those reports that say that everything is going according to the German plan but those which the Nazis have allowed to be published in German and Swiss newspapers.

"All this makes it clear that the German Army realises that they are dealing with a very stiff proposition indeed."

Mr. Steed referred to an article by one correspondent who had declared that the Russian war was most complicated not only because of the enormous distances the German troops had to cover but also because the Russian troops were not behaving nicely.

REALISE DIFFERENCE
"Soviet troops, according to this writer," continued Mr. Steed, "are foolish in not showing willingness to surrender. It happens, therefore, according to this correspondent, that the German troops have been cut off from their lines of communication and the German people must, therefore, realise the difference between France and Russia."

"When a German writer says this it becomes very interesting and indicates the excellent me-

TORTUOUS ANGLO-AMERICAN "PUZZLE"

LONDON, July 11 (Central)—Dr. C.C. Wang, formerly Director-General of the Chinese Eastern Railway and now Director of the Chinese Government Railways Purchasing Commission in London, wrote a letter to the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN on July 7, drawing attention to "a tortuous Anglo-American puzzle which has been torturing our mind," namely, oil supply to Japan.

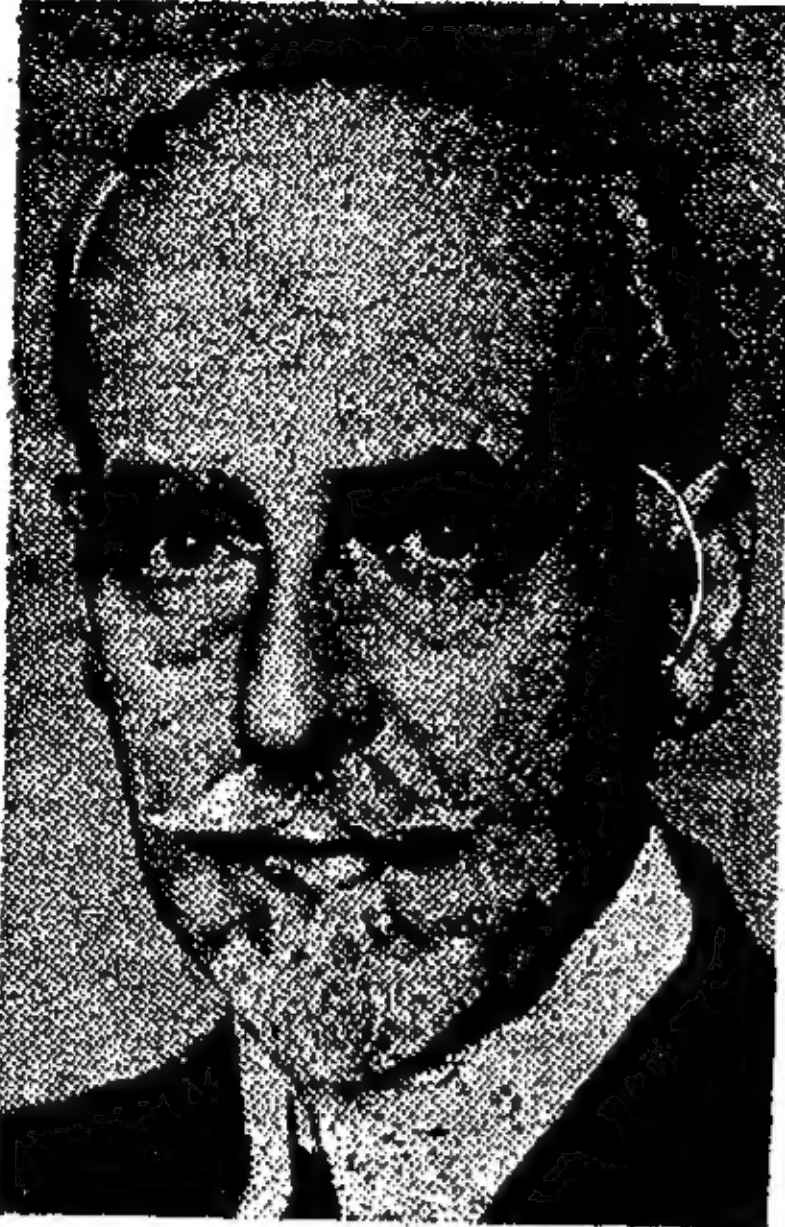
"The Chinese people are grateful for the English-speaking people's sympathy and help," Dr. Wang wrote. "The principal reason why Japan hesitates to march to the South Seas is because with the China war on her shoulders, she finds it dangerous to grab the golden fruit, even though ripe and near at hand."

"For four years the two best friends of China have been supplying all the oil used for the purpose of heating China to her knees and slaughtering the Chinese people. If there were any reason of the high policy in the past for appeasement, certainly such reason must have lost all validity now."

INDIRECT HARM

Dr. Wang added that if the English-speaking friends would place themselves in the position of the Chinese people they would appreciate better the necessity to stop the supply of oil to the invader.

Dr. Wang concluded by pointing out that the indirect harm of this action on the part of Britain and America is no less serious, for "it takes the wind out of the sails of the great Democracies," declared purpose of fighting anti-aggression wherever it be."



chanical quality of the Russian weapons although the Germans expected those weapons to be inferior to their own."

Mr. Steed referred to an incident which occurred 23 years ago when the Russian Government had invited a highly-placed technical expert from Germany to report on the last war.

"I knew what his qualifications were," went on Mr. Steed. "But there was only one snag about it. He had a Jewish name. So, after Hitler came to power this man had to leave Germany and a copy of his reports to Russia reached me."

STATE OF CHAOS

Mr. Steed said that this expert's report stated that in 1924 he found the Russians completely inefficient and in a state of chaos. The Russians had asked this expert what they should do and he had advised them to replace all their equipment with German machines, rifles and other weapons. This was done to the tune of £15,000,000.

"This same expert then organised properly constructed Russian factories and when he returned to Germany in 1926 he still felt that the Russian organisation still failed to be efficient because Russian workmen would not be able to handle the production of German weapons."

"In 1928 he was again invited to inspect Russian factories he had set up and the other factories which the Russians themselves had constructed," said Mr. Steed.

"He was dumbfounded because he found that they had not only constructed more factories than he expected but that the Russians had, in addition to copying, improved upon German machine tools, and that the Japanese were actually buying from Russia these very machine tools instead of buying them from Germany. This expert had evidently forgotten the dexterity of the Russian workmen," said Mr. Steed.

"The Russians did not, however, say that they were selling these to the Japanese and he only found this out when he was invited to inspect factories in Japan."

How widespread the fighting in Russia may be I don't know but I do know that Hitler must throw everything he can spare into the fight. He cannot afford defeat or even a deadlock," continued Mr. Steed.

PAINFUL DOUBT

"Some painful doubt seems even now to be creeping into the minds of the Germans and the men of Vichy. They are finding that the British, Indian and Free French forces are making steady advances in Syria. This however, is not the least of the disappointments that they will suffer and we must expect Herr Hitler himself to fly the peace kite."

"I already see this peace kite fluttering and that is why I have referred to Mr. Anthony Eden's speech in which he declared that we must intensify our war effort until there is no room on the earth's surface for the Hitler way of life and ours."

"That was a blow straight from the shoulder," said Mr. Steed.

"Now we have a Russian military mission in England as well as a British military mission in Russia, and this will compel Herr Hitler to fly his peace kite here and there and, where he can, 'Herr Hitler's mind is already inclined to be doubtful and despondent. The attacks by the R.A.F. have compelled the Germans to grin and bear it, because Goering has told them that it cannot be helped."

"One day the German people will have to choose between the downfall of Hitlerism and the discarding of Hitler as in 1918 they discarded Wilhelm Hohenzollern," concluded Mr. Steed.

WELL-CONSTRUCTED BRIDGE OF FRIENDSHIP, UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN LONDON, CHUNGKING

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter)—"We owe your Government and nation a tribute of admiration and, what is more, gratitude," said MR. PHILIP GRAVES, for many years foreign editor of The Times, at a reception at the Chinese Embassy yesterday on the occasion of the arrival of Dr. Wellington Koo, the new Ambassador.

"Your resistance has meant a great deal to Britain and indeed to English-speaking people in general. Let us suppose that counsels of prudence and appeasement had prevailed in Nanking at the beginning of the China Incident."

"I think my colleague will agree that militant Japan, encouraged by China's surrender, would not have stood still."

"We have yet grave dangers before us in the southern seas but the edge has been taken off the sword blade and the arm that wields it is no longer so fresh and lusty as four years ago."

"We welcome Your Excellency as the representative of a great and ancient nation that is fighting the same battle for decency, order and honesty in international relations that we are fighting."

PERSONAL NOTE

A more personal note was struck by MR. C. J. CHANCELLOR, general manager of Reuters, an old and personal friend of Dr. Koo, who said: "I first met Dr. Wellington Koo in Nanking in 1931 when, at a time of great crisis and facing personal danger, he undertook, at General Chiang Kai-shek's request, the arduous duties as China's Foreign Minister."

"I accompanied him in the spring of 1932 to Manchuria when he went as the Chinese Government assessor with the Mission of the League of Nations upon its thankless and, as it proved, fruitless investigation. I well remember Dr. Koo's staunch and proud figure in the streets of Mukden, alone in a hostile environment, and supporting with great courage a cause which, for the time being, was so obviously lost."

"We are fortunate at this time in having so distinguished a diplomat represent China in London and having at the same time our great friend, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, as Foreign Minister in Chungking. This is indeed a well-constructed bridge of friendship and understanding between two great capitals and two great Democracies."

DR. KOO PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

LONDON, July 11 (Central)—Dr. V. K. Wellington Koo, new Chinese Ambassador to Britain, presented his credentials to His Majesty King George VI at Buckingham Palace at noon yesterday. He was introduced by Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, and had a long and most cordial conversation with His Majesty.

Mr. Chen Wei-chen, Counsellor, Mr. Yui Ming, Counsellor, Mr. Tan Pao-shen, First Secretary and concurrently Consul-General in London, and other members of the Chinese Embassy in London accompanied Dr. Koo in the presentation ceremony.

Proposal To Arm American Merchantmen

The conversion of private vessels to naval use is proposed by the United States Government.

This was revealed by President Roosevelt at his Press conference yesterday when he was asked about a \$800,000 appropriation for the U.S. Navy and Maritime Commission.

The arming of merchantmen had also been contemplated, he added.

The schedule of production had been so speeded up that the money had to be forthcoming now instead of by next January.

PORTUGUESE BASES FOR AMERICA

WASHINGTON, July 11 (Reuter)—Replying to questions based upon a broadcast from Tokyo, Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, told the Press yesterday that the United States was not attempting to obtain military or naval bases in Portugal or its possessions or in Siberia.

Such suggestions, he declared, were obviously German propaganda designed to make trouble between the United States and Japan.

The radio said that reports had appeared in Tokyo papers alleging an impending United States-British-Soviet alliance under which United States military bases would be established in the Kamchatka Peninsula.

Powerful Democratic Combination

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter)—Co-operation of Britain, the United States and Russia with China in a powerful democratic combination against aggression was urged by nearly all the Chinese papers throughout Malaya commenting on the latest war developments.

The strength of the British Army, Navy and Air Force, it remarked, is growing by the minute while Russia on one end and China on the other, is holding the forces of aggression.

The Singapore Jit Pow, of Singapore, urges embargo against supplies toward Japan and more aid to China to enable her Air Force to bomb the industrial areas of Japan.

The Chinese Press in Kuala Lumpur urges China to adopt a more active foreign policy by joining the democratic front and seizing the Axis interests in China.

Chungking - Is Undaunted By The Terrific Air Bombings

CHUNGKING, July 11 (Central)—"Though subjected to repeated indiscriminate bombings, Chungking still remains the diplomatic nerve centre in Asia as Washington in North and South America and London in Europe, commented a foreigner in Chungking who prefers to keep himself anonymous.

"There has been a continuous arrival in Chungking of internationally known persons either on important missions or for sightseeing," he recalled. "Whatever their purposes, these visitors have invariably been impressed with the conditions in Free China."

Referring to the recent visit of the Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, Police Commissioner of Hongkong, he said that during his one-week stay in Chungking he had gone through several air raids, but he praised highly the calmness of the Chungking people during air raids and the efficiency with which public utilities were restored after each raid.

BRITISH TERMS

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BEING CONSIDERED

VICHY, July 11 (Reuter)—The text of British proposals in reply to General Dentz's request for an armistice reached Vichy in the early hours on Friday morning. It is officially announced here, and is now being carefully considered by the Government.

They were received through the United States Embassy with a request that they be forwarded to General Dentz.

"It is pointed out by well-informed sources in this connexion," the official statement says, "that foreign reports that General Dentz had already begun negotiations are incorrect since the British conditions were brought to his notice only this morning."

"They are at present being carefully examined by the Government in the spirit of an official communication published yesterday, according to which no negotiations will be carried on with the General Staff of General de Gaulle's forces."

"The Government proposes to reply speedily to the British proposals."

AUSSIES' MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

The Australian War Minister, Mr. P. C. Spender, announced yesterday that all Australian medical equipment lost in Greece and Crete would be replaced within six months.

HEROISM OF PEER'S SON And Loudest Bombardment

The Probate Court in England was asked recently to presume the death of a British officer. A routine matter, but as the evidence unfolded the scene of justice merged into a field of battle, with one man facing certain death to save his comrades.

REPORTED MISSING

The officer was the Hon. Christopher Furness, heir to a viscountcy and a fortune. He was a lieutenant in the Welsh Guards, and he had been reported missing since last May.

Mr. Justice Hodson granted leave to presume death after he had listened to letters written by brother officers who had seen Lieut. Furness go into action single-handed.

His commanding officer wrote, in a letter to Viscount Furness: "Dick was covering the withdrawal of some transport when some men of another regiment said that German infantry were close in a wood nearby."

"Instantly Dick went off to reconnoitre with a view to attack."

FIRED ON

"Suddenly fire was opened on him by a concealed German anti-tank gun. Several carriers were destroyed, including Dick's."

"I am told he charged straight at the gunner and shot him before he fell himself."

"There is some slight hope that he may have been severely wounded and taken by the Germans, but I fear not a great one. 'His action was the most gallant possible.'"

An eye-witness wrote that he saw Mr. Furness, spreadeagled across the top of a tank with a Bren gun in front of him, and added: "Mr. Furness must have known then the very slender chances of his returning from such a hell."

GALLANT ACTION

Another officer who saw Mr. Furness's Bren carrier go into action single-handed said that it was "an extremely gallant action" which saved an entire column from destruction.

The judge's ruling means a title and a fortune to William Anthony Furness, an 11-year-old schoolboy now in California with his American mother.

The new viscount is the son of Lord Furness's second wife, Thelma, twin sister of Mrs. Gloria Vanderbilt. She is now Mrs. Thelma Converse.

When Lord Furness died last October he left about £1,000,000 to the Hon. Christopher, who was the son of his first wife and was unmarried. That money goes to the new heir. Daily Mail.

300 RAIDS ON BENGHAZI

Since Italy entered the war, Benghazi and the neighbourhood has been raided 300 times by the Royal Air Force.

The port is now comparable with Munster, Dusseldorf and other places in the Ruhr.

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WAR AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS

A ceremony marking the completion of the Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Miwa-cho, Arima-gun, Hyogo Prefecture, established by the Prefectural Sanitary Section, will be held shortly, the Asahi reveals.

The sanitarium, the construction of which got under way in July, 1939, has a total of 480 rooms and was built at an aggregate expenditure of ¥1,006,000, the costs being shouldered by the Prefecture and the Federation of Hyogo Health Associations.

In order to combat the dread disease, it is further planned to establish tentative sanitariums in five provinces in the vicinity of the city. Certain hospitals in the provincial districts will be selected for this purpose and half their upkeep will be subsidised by the Prefecture.

"THE VACCINE IS OURS!"

One morning during December Christmas shopping under a broiling sun, portenos (inhabitants of Buenos Aires) saw a terrible sight in the Plaza de Mayo. About 1,000 people, many in pyjamas and hospital gowns, milled before the Government House, chanting hoarsely: "The vaccine is ours!" They were advanced tuberculosis patients, who had escaped from Buenos Aires' four big contagious hospitals. A few dozen lepers had joined them.

What they cried for was a new tuberculosis "cure," developed by a 40-year-old scientist named Jesus Puyo Rodriguez. No doctor, Jesus Puyo claims to have cured almost 300 patients with his vaccine, given in course of 20 injections under the guidance of Dr. Francisco Romero. He will not reveal the formula of his vaccine, says it is made by neutralising tubercle bacilli from human sputum with a special chemical.

The vaccine, he holds, stimulates production of tuberculous antibodies. Doctors in Buenos Aires are cautious and divided over the vaccine. Most physicians are sceptical, hold that it might be possible to develop a preventive vaccine, but that diseased, ruptured lungs can never be healed by any "formula."

NATIVE LEVIES OF FAKIR OF IPI RESTIVE

SIMLA, July 11 (Reuter)—The native levies of the Fakir of Ipi, notorious trouble-maker, collected recently, it is reported, are becoming restive owing to the continued inaction and unsatisfactory supply arrangements.

The general difficulty of conditions is believed to be causing the discontent which is reflected in the departure to home of certain parties from the native levies during the last week.

The total strength of the levies, however, remains much the same on account of new arrivals.

The Fakir has removed from Kharre to Darelkela, just across the Afghan border.

The situation in Waziristan, generally, continues quieter than usual.

M.P. DETAINED

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter)—Mr. Cahill Reilly, a member of Northern Ireland House of Commons, was arrested in Northern Ireland today under a detention order made by the Home Secretary under defence regulation 18B. It was learned in London today.

It will be remembered that Mr. Reilly was interned by the Northern Ireland Government from May, 1932, to February, 1934, with out a charge and was only released when the matter was raised in the House of Commons.

GEN. CATROUX

General Catroux has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Free French forces in the Levant.

FOO PING-SHEUNG FOR WAICHIAPU?

CHUNGKING, July 11 (Central)—It is learned from authoritative sources that Dr. Foo Ping-sheung (Foo Ping-shung) has been slated for the post of Political Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs and official ambassador of the appointment is expected to be made shortly. A member of the Legislative Yuan, Dr. Foo has been Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee since December, 1938. In March, 1940, he was appointed Minister of Education but did not proceed to the post. In 1931, he was Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Chiang Government. Dr. Foo was the principal drafter of the Chinese Civil Code.

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DISCOVERS STELLAR TRIPLETS

Chicago.—The third triple star known to astronomy has been reported to the American Philosophical Society by Dr. K. A. Strand of Sproul Observatory, Swarthmore College.

Triple stars are three separate bodies whirling around each other so close that their gravitation holds them together. Until now such triangles have been rare in contrast to double stars or two whirling around each other.

The new triple star is Zeta Aquarii. That it was at least a twin had been known since 1780.

Dr. Strand located the third member of the triangle by measuring the orbits of the two known big stars. They take 400 years to go round each other once.

WAVY LINE

Their orbit, instead of being a smooth curve, has been a wavy line since the discovery of the twins. In that time the stars have gone about one-third of the path.

From these swing out of line Dr. Strand calculated that the third star, invisible even in telescopes, it about half the mass of the sun.

It is going round in the opposite direction, but in about the same plane as the two big stars. Its circuit is much smaller and it circles the common centre of gravity once each 25 years.

The situation is like a roulette wheel with two white balls going round near the outer edge of the wheel, and the little black ball travelling the opposite way near the centre.

ROSARY CHURCH

The following are the forthcoming services for the coming week.

July 13: 6th Sunday after Pentecost.—At 8.30 a.m. Mass with sermon in Chinese; 7.30 English; 8.30 Portuguese; 9.30 English, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; 2 p.m. Catechism in Chinese; 2.30 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; 3. Meeting of the Chinese Catholic Women Association; 9. Meeting of the St. Raphael's Society.

July 14: 7.30 a.m. High Requiem Mass for all the Holy Souls; 6 p.m. Meeting of the Children of Mary (English-speaking Section).

July 15: At 8 p.m. Meeting of the C.Y.M.A. (English-speaking Section).

July 16: At 7.30 a.m. High Mass in honour of Our Lady of Mount Carmel; 8 p.m. Rosary, Procession to the "Grotto" of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sermon and Benediction.

July 17: At 6 p.m. Meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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Sunday Services: 10 a.m. Worship, Speaker, Rev. John Bechtel; 11 a.m. Worship (Cantonese); 3 p.m. Sunday School (Cantonese); 7.30 p.m. Evangelistic Service (Cantonese).

Wednesday: 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Cantonese). The Chapel will be open four mornings a week, Tuesday to Friday, from 10 to 12 o'clock, for any who care to come in to read or to find spiritual help.

The Thursday and Sunday Evening English services will be discontinued.

CATHOLIC NEWS & NOTES

U.S. SERVICEMEN: ANTI-CLERICAL NOW PRIEST

St. Swithin's Day, on July 15, next Tuesday, is better known than the feast of many more famous saints because of the popular superstition about the weather which is attached to it in England. Formerly the saint himself was much better known than he is now. He was Bishop of Winchester in the 9th century. He was probably a native of Wessex and as a priest was one of the chief advisers of King Egbert, and the teacher of his son, Ethelwolf, father of Alfred the Great.

When Ethelwolf became king, Swithin supported him during the distressing years of the Danish invasions. His own episcopal city was plundered by the invaders and in part ruined. He laboured during these years to maintain in the Church a high standard of proficiency in both literature and science, and had great influence both in Church and State in England.

When he was dying he left instructions that he should be buried near the north wall of his cathedral, "where passers-by should pass over his grave and raindrops from the eaves drop upon it." His grave was forgotten in the troubled time that followed, but it was discovered a century later and his remains moved within the cathedral.

It is said that rain prevented for forty days the removal of his relics, and this gave rise to the popular belief that if it rained on St. Swithin's Day it would rain for forty days more. It is this day of the removal of the Saint's relics that is now celebrated as his feast, and it falls at a time of the year when there are frequently showers in England. Now and then the weather remains showery after it and thus the popular belief appears to be fulfilled.

AMERICAN SERVICE MEN

A Vatican radio speaker's commendation of the steps taken to look after the spiritual interests of American service men was criticised by Signor Farinacci, former Secretary General of the Fascist party.

The occasion was the building of the first of the 604 chapels which are being built for the United States army at the cost of U.S.\$12,816,880. These will be all built immediately. Each of the chapels will seat 382 persons and will be provided with an electric organ.

When the first earth was turned for the building of the first church, the ceremony was performed by Mr. William Arnold, Chief of the Chaplains of the United States army, and in the course of his address he gave this advice to the soldiers:

"The life of a soldier is a life of discipline and sacrifice. Your work is hard, your dangers are many and your pleasures are few. Even in your free time you must act with dignity and restraint. A good soldier, therefore, is more than a man in uniform armed with weapons and military skill. He must be a man with a clear mind and a clean heart. May an army of such men come forth from this house in connexion with the girls' high school.

When her health broke down, Mrs. Thomas went to London and lived near Westminster Cathedral, where she was received into the Church. From that time she devoted herself wholeheartedly to the missions, composing a Missionary Manual and afterwards founding the Missionary League.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

5th Sunday after Trinity: 8 a.m. Holy Communion, and in the Peak Church; 11 a.m. Matins and Sermon, Preacher, Rev. C. A. Higgins; 7 p.m. Evensong and Sermon, Preacher, Rt. Rev. C. T. Sung, (Bishop of W. Szechuen).

The Social Hour will be held immediately after Evensong, and all will be welcomed.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thursday at 7.30 a.m. and Friday at 7.45 a.m. (in Cantonese).

Notices for the week: Badminton on Monday at 8 p.m. Diocesan Meeting: Saturday, July 19, at 3 p.m. in Dr. Utley's House, Kowloon Hospital. Tea 4.30 p.m. Speakers: Prof. L. Forster, Mr. and Mrs. Goodban, and Rev. A. P. Rose.

ENGLISH METHODIST CHURCH HONG KONG

Queen's Road East, Opposite the Royal Naval Hospital

Preachers: Morning—Rev. E. Moreton; Evening—Rev. J.E. Sandbach. Morning Parade Service at 10.15 a.m. Hymns: 13, 884, 56, 475, 145. Evening Service at 7 p.m. Hymns: 695, 700, 698, 601.

NOTICES FOR WEEK
Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at the 8 p.m. Home at 8.30 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians warmly welcomed. Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. Meeting for Prayer and Fellowship at 8 & 8 Home.

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL

185, Portland Street, Hongkong
July 13: At 8 a.m. Mass with sermon in Chinese; 8 p.m. Evening Prayers, Catechism and Benediction.

ENGLAND'S NAKED BRIDES

GIRLS MARRIED IN BIRTHDAY SUIT 200 YEARS AGO

LONDON.—Not two hundred years ago many brides in England went to the altar dressed only in a short shift, or just nothing at all.

In the middle of eighteenth century it was no unusual sight to see the bride standing at the altar in her birthday suit, or with just a shawl thrown hastily over her shoulders by some sympathetic friend.

Londoners seem to have been the first to disapprove of this custom for, after a marriage in St. Paul's in the late eighteenth century the bride was seen running across Ludgate-circus in her shift, pursued by mocking cries.

In 1724, a Wiltshire girl Anne Selwood, was reported to have married not only without clothes but without headgear.

And in Lincolnshire, a naked woman climbed down a ladder from her bedroom window to go to church and meet her bridegroom.

FRIENDS WORRIED

That time, however, her friends were worried about her health because it was winter, and rushed after her with an overall.

History can be amusing if you look at it in the right way. Marcus Hollystone specializes in fishing out odd and interesting facts. And why was this incredible custom allowed?

Because popular opinion—and even the clergy—believed that a man was not liable for his bride's debts if he married her in nothing but her shift, or better still, in no clothes at all.

A nude bride signified that a man took a woman as she stood with neither her family, debts nor any she might have contracted before appearing at the altar.

The last nude woman to be seen in St. Paul's was in 1936, when a woman suddenly threw off her cloak and revealed herself completely naked to the congregation to draw attention to some statement she wished to make.

Modern congregations being more shocked than their ancestors, the lady was put back in her cloak and led away by an embarrassed policeman.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

6th Sunday after Pentecost: Morning services: 1st Mass at 6.30 with sermon in Chinese 2nd Mass at 8 with sermon in English 3rd Mass at 10 with sermon in English Evening services: at 3.30 Catechetical Instruction at 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction. July 15—Holy Hour from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. July 16—Our Lady of Mount Carmel Solemn High Mass at 7.30 a.m. July 17—High Requiem Mass for the deceased Members of the Confraternity for the relief of the Holy Souls at 7.30 a.m. On week days Mass at 6.30 and 7.30: Confessions morning and evening.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

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Service on Sunday, July 13.

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science churches will be "Sacrament." The Golden Text will be: "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." (John 13: 34, 35).

Amongst others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "As soon as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread. . . . Jesus saith unto them, Come and dine." (John 21, 9, 11).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "This spiritual meeting with our Lord in the dawn of a new light is the morning meal which Christian Scientists commemorate. They bow before Christ, Truth, to receive more of his reappearing and silently to commune with the divine Principle, Love. They celebrate their Lord's victory over death, his probation in the flesh after death, his exaltation above matter, or the flesh, when he rose out of material slumber." (Science and Health Page 35).

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH

5th Sunday after Trinity: 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 8 p.m. Short Evening Service. Preacher, Rev. Cyril Brown.

NOTICES: Lunch parties on Saturday and Sunday at 2.30 p.m. (35).

RADIO PROGRAMMES

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TOMORROW

BEETHOVEN CONCERTO NO. 5 THE "EMPEROR"

"Faust" Acts 1 and 2

11.00 a.m. Belay—Morning Service from St. Andrew's Church.

12.15 p.m. Cesar Frank—Prelude, Choral and Fugue.

Alfred Cortot (Piano).

12.24 Mozart—Symphony in G Minor.

1st Mov: Molto Allegro; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Monetto (Allegretto) and Trio; 4th Mov: Finale (Allegro)—The N.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Arturo Toscanini

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 The Gay Nineties.

Frank Luther with Zora Layman & The Century Quartet.

1.20 Alfredo and His Orchestra.

Old Bohemian Town (Marsden and Kennedy); Cara Mia (Sievier & Prisker). In Gypsy Land (Arr. Michaeloff).

1.26 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Gounod's "Faust" Acts 1 & 2.

Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Faust—Heddie Nash (Tenor); Mephistopheles—Robert Easton (Bass); Valentine, Marguerite's brother—H. Williams (Baritone); Siebel, village youth—Doris Vane (Soprano); Marguerite—Mariam Licette (Sop.) with Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Thomas Beecham.

2.30 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

7.15 Beethoven—Concerto No. 5 in E Flat Major "Emperor"—Op. 73.

Allegro—Adagio—Rondo—Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra.

7.53 Song by Tiana Lemnitz (Soprano).

Ave Maria (From Otello)—Verdi.

8.00 London—The News.

8.15 London—War Commentary.

8.25 London—Listening Post.

Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

3.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Barnabas Von Gezey and His Orchestra & Alfred Packer (Tenor).

Siciliana (Apollonio); Blue Sails (Rikner); Barnabas Von Gezey & His Orch. Trees (Rasbach)—Alfred Packer with Piano. Southern Skies (Kunneke); Red Lips (Kotscher); Barnabas Von Gezey and His Orch. Kashmiri Love Song (Woodford-Finden); For You Alone (Geech)—Alfred Packer with Piano. Pushta (Mihaly); Forget It And Smile (Ehmet); Barnabas Von Gezey and His Orch.

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 Box—Tintagel.

The New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens.

9.15 Studio—Book Reviews.

9.20 Delli—Sonata No. 2.

Con Molto—Lento—Molto Vivace—Lionel Tertis (Viola) and George Reeves (P.).

9.45—10.00 News in French (On Short Wave Only).

9.45 Piano Solos by Moriz Rosenthal.

Chant Polonais in G Flat Major (Chopin); Mazurka No. 17 in B Flat Minor (Chopin); Preludes Nos. 3, 6 and 7, Op. 28 (Chopin).

10.00 London—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Excerpts from Stainer's "The Crucifixion."

King Ever Glorious—Richard Crooks (Tenor); And As Moses Lifted Up The Serpent—Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone); W. Mark Andrew's (Organ). God, So Loved The World—Trinity Choir w. Mark Andrew's (Organ). Jesus Said, "Father, Forgive Them"—Richard Crooks (Tenor). So Thou Liftest—Lawrence Tibbett and Richard Crooks (Tenor) w. M. Andrew's (Organ).

10.30 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

Conducted by a Minister of the Church of England.

10.50 Close Down.

ST. TERESA'S CHURCH

Prince Edward Rd., Tel. 58217.

July 12—Meeting C.Y.L.A. at 3.30 P.M.

July 13—6th Sunday after Pentecost. Masses—7 a.m. with Sermon in Chinese; 8.30 a.m. with Sermon in English followed by Benediction of Blessed Sacrament; 10 a.m. with Sermon in English.

July 16—Feast of Our Lady of Carmel.

On Week days Masses at 6.30 a.m. and 7.15 a.m.

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"Hawkins, don't be a parrot."
"Parrot, Sir?"
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OFFICERING U.S. SHIPS: CORPS OF TRAINED MEN BEING ORGANISED

The United States Navy is engaged in the most ambitious shipbuilding programme ever undertaken by any nation at peace, writes George Barrett in the New York Times. Huge hulls of fighting ships are shaping quickly in their skeleton cradles, even as finished dreadnoughts and destroyers and other men-of-war put to sea months ahead of schedule. After an almost 20-year lapse in naval construction, the country's goal in the development of a mighty Navy now comes fairly close to the combined construction programmes of all six of the world's other major naval powers.

But behind the scenes of warship construction, the Navy is also working quickly to organize a corps of trained officers to serve on the new men-of-war. For in 1941, when the United States is expected to have 32 battleships and a total of almost 700 major warships, the Navy will need 36,000 officers to operate the huge fleet. This is 16,000 men in excess of the total of officers now on active duty.

300 ENSIGNS A YEAR

Annapolis, for years the traditional training academy for the Navy, cannot cope with this task for the Naval Academy is graduating only about 300 ensigns a year. The R.O.T.C. units in colleges and universities, together with the Navy's aviation cadet programme, are not expected to supply more than 400 officers annually, or a total, with the Naval Academy, of less than 5,000 by 1947.

Even allowing for the call to active duty of additional reservists and retired officers now in civil life, and also for the proposed change of the Naval Academy course from four to three or three and a half years, it will still be necessary for the Navy to train elsewhere at least 10,000 new officers.

FINEST IN WORLD

With the traditional efficiency and thoroughness that has made the service equal to the finest in the world, the Navy has quickly cleared the decks for action—action so speedy that within this year (some six to seven years before the three-ocean fleet will be completed) those 10,000 officers should be in uniform!

As from May some 7,000 college graduates between the ages of 20 and 27 are to be enrolled in a four-month intensive course, from which about 5,000 are expected to graduate and to receive commis-

sions as ensigns. Last year about 6,000 young men were enrolled for the brief training, and almost 5,000 have been or will be commissioned as officers. The completion of the final phase, now under way, will make up most of the 10,000 officer shortage.

PRACTICAL VIEW

In culling the "cream students," who will be made naval officers in four months, the Navy is taking a practical view of the situation of supply and demand. And the problem of personnel is thereby solved. But these 10,000 "unbridled officers," who will help to make the three-ocean fleet of tomorrow one of the greatest combatant forces in history, will find the going pretty tough sometimes. For the young man enrolled in this intensive programme is actually an apprentice seaman for one month and a Naval Reserve midshipman for the final three months.

The first month of the four months' course is regarded as preliminary and is comparatively easy because it is not generally considered a part of the main training course. Last year, for instance, the first month was spent entirely at sea aboard a battleship or cruiser, to "break the boys in" to the ways of the water. This year the initial 30-day period will be spent in a similar "indoctrination course" on shore, because the Navy can spare no ships at this time for training purposes. Those candidates temporarily unsuited to the service will be weeded out in the first thirty days.

ARDUOUS PERIOD

But after the 30-day trial is over, the future admiral who starts up the long and, for the non-Annapolis man, particularly difficult ladder of officer promotion will find that his three months of basic instruction as a midshipman will probably make the most arduous 90-day period in his life. Whether he is attending school aboard the old bulk of the battleship Prairie State in New York, or North-western University in Chicago, or the special course at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, he will look with healthy respect and excusable pride upon that blue uniform bedazzled with gold.

Upon the completion of the four months' course the Naval Reserve midshipman is given a Reserve ensign's commission. Most of the midshipmen, however, because of the emergency and the need for trained officers, are being enlisted into active duty with the fleet.

AGRICULTURAL UNIONS

CHUNGKING, July 11 (Central)—In addition to model labour unions, the Ministry of Social Welfare is planning the establishment of model agricultural unions which will seek to promote welfare for the farmers. Their work will include rural social reforms, education, reclamation, promotion of co-operative enterprises, establishment of granaries, development of auxiliary agricultural pursuits, public amusement.

Such unions will be first formed in Chungking, Chengtu, Loshan, Neikiang and Wanhien in Szechwan, Fukien, Chekiang, Hunan, Honan, Kwelchow, Kwangsi and Shensi will each designate a helen where the unions will be formed.

EAST KWANGTUNG FIGHTING

CHUNGKING, July 11 (Central)—Following the recapture of Fenchukwan on the Fukien-Kwangtung border, the Chinese continued to press westward. On July 8 they recaptured Sincuen, east of Wankong, 30 miles east of Swatow on the eastern Kwangtung coast, inflicting many Japanese casualties.

The Japanese in occupation of Wankong sent a column of about 1,000 to make a northward thrust to Tengshai and Fowshanhu, meeting with stubborn Chinese resistance.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE				SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION			
Buyers	Sellers	Value	Volume	Buyers	Sellers	Value	Volume
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Banks				Banks			
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Shipping				Shipping			
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Miscellaneous				Miscellaneous			
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H.K. Stock Exchange

There has been much activity during this week and the market has not experienced the like for quite a year. Business has been brisk, the volume increasing daily and prices have joined in the general cheerfulness.

Hongkong have had a 40 point rise from \$1,350 to \$1,390, shares changing hands at the intermediate stages. Providents have been traded in big chunks from \$5.67 to \$6. Hotels have appreciated from \$3 to \$3.80. Lands \$34 to \$35—at this there are sellers. Trams \$17.10 to \$17.60. Old Telephone \$22 to \$23.10. Ropes \$8.15 to \$9. Dairy Farms \$18 to \$19. Old Lights have kept steady around \$6. Docks have given way to \$15.70, but the pressure was not real. Demand for heavy investments continues, quotations have hardened but there is a lamentable dearth of scrip.

BUSINESS DONE DURING THE WEEK.

H.K. Banks, \$1365, \$1370, \$1390.
Canton Ins., \$230.
Union Ins., \$395, \$400.
Wharves, \$90.
Docks, \$15.70.

Providents, \$5, \$5.80, \$5.85, \$5.90, \$6.

Hotels, \$3.32, \$3.35, \$3.40, \$3.60, \$3.65, \$3.80.

Lands, \$24, \$34, \$34.60, \$35, \$35, \$35.

Trams, \$17.10, \$17.15, \$17, \$17.60, \$17.

Lights (O), \$6, \$5.95, \$5.85, \$6, \$5.05, \$6.

Electric (O) X. Rts., \$22.

Electric (N), \$21.

Electric Rts., \$11, \$11.30.

Macao Electric, \$18.

Telephones (O), \$23, \$23.05, \$23.10.

Telephones (N), \$9.

Ropes, \$8.30, \$8.40, \$8, \$8.80, \$9.

Watsons, \$10, \$10.85, \$10.90.

Sandakan Lights, \$12.

Douglases, \$120.

Realities, \$3.35.

Lights (N), \$1.45.

Dairy Farms, \$19.

H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan (1934), 94.

H.K. Banks, \$1390.

Bank of East, \$74.

Canton Ins., \$225.

Union Ins., \$395.

H.K. Fire Ins., \$185.

Indo-China (Pref.), \$90.

Indo-China (Def.), \$70.

Providents, \$6.

Hotels, \$3.70.

Lands, \$35.

Humphreys, \$6.

Chinese Estates, \$101.

Trams, \$17.40.

Star Ferries, \$53.75.

Yamat Ferries, \$22.

Lights (O), \$6.

Wm. Powells, \$130.

Providents, \$8.15.

Lands, \$36.

Trams, \$17.

Cements, \$16.

Watsons, \$11.

Douglases, \$120.

Providents, \$6.

Hotels, \$3.65/60.

Lands, \$33.

Trams, \$17.60/17.50.

Lights (O), \$6.

Lights (N), \$1.45.

Ropes, \$9.

Dairy Farms, \$19.25.

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CHINESE PRODUCTS EXHIBITION

After more than two months' preparation, the Chinese Products Exhibition Gallery on 2nd Floor, 8 Queen's Road, Central, will be formally inaugurated on August 1.

Samples of practically all Chinese manufactured goods will be displayed on the gallery which is jointly established by the Chinese Products and Industrial Society, the Overseas Chinese Economic Reconstruction Society and the South Seas Industrial Company.

Lights (N), \$1.40.

Electric (N), \$21.

Electric Rts., \$11.

Macao Electric, \$18.30.

Telephones (N), \$8.90.

Cements, \$15.25.

Ropes, \$8.75.

Wm. Powells, \$130.

Providents, \$8.15.

Lands, \$36.

Trams, \$17.

Cements, \$16.

Watsons, \$11.

Douglases, \$120.

Providents, \$6.

Hotels, \$3.65/60.

Lands, \$33.

Trams, \$17.60/17.50.

Lights (O), \$6.

Lights (N), \$1.45.

Ropes, \$9.

Dairy Farms, \$19.25.

H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan (1934), 94.

H.K. Banks, \$1390.

Bank of East, \$74.

Canton Ins., \$225.

Union Ins., \$395.

H.K. Fire Ins., \$185.

Indo-China (Pref.), \$90.

Indo-China (Def.), \$70.

Providents, \$6.

Hotels, \$3.70.

Lands, \$35.

Humphreys, \$6.

Chinese Estates, \$101.

Trams, \$17.40.

Star Ferries, \$53.75.

Yamat Ferries, \$22.

Lights (O), \$6.

Wm. Powells, \$130.

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

BANKS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

JULY 11, 1941.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 460	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 62 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand 102 1/4	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 62 5/8	
On demand	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 46 1/4	
On Manila:—	
On demand 48 1/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 149 1/2	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz. 23 3/8	

Market Report

FROM RUZA BROS.

Friday, July 11.
Silver prices dropped 1/8 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 23 1/4 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being steady. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403-1 2.

MARKET

STERLING
There were sellers at 1/3 up to September, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Nothing doing. (There were small sellers at 24 1/2 for near and forward, buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.)

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 467. Business was done subsequently at 466 3/4, 467 and 467 1/4. The market closed at lunch time with sellers at 468 1/4, buyers at 469 1/4.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 3 13/64 and closed slightly lower at 3 13/64 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 7/32 and closed at 5 3/16 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

STERLING
There were sellers at 1/3 up to September, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Nothing doing. The market closed with sellers at 24 1/2 for near and forward, buyers at 24 9/16 for any delivery.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened this afternoon with sellers at 468 1/2 but towards the close the market receded to 467 1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Closed steady with sellers of Sterling at 3 13/64 for Spot and U.S. Dollars at 5 7/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, July 11 (Reuters).

Official T.T. Rates	Opening	Closing
London	0/3-3/16	0/3-3/16
New York	5-1/8	5-1/8
Japan	21-3/4	21-3/4
India	17-5/8	17-5/8
Hongkong	21-1/8	21-1/8
Paris	nominal	nominal

Sterling

Sellers	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-13/64	0/3-13/64
July	0/3-13/64	0/3-13/64
Aug.	0/3-13/64	0/3-13/64
U.S. Dollars		
Spot	\$5-7/32	\$5-7/32
July	5-7/32	5-7/32
Aug.	5-7/32	5-7/32

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/24.
The Equalisation rate was 23-1/4 per cent.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, July 10 (Reuters).
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2

India Rupee, Paper

Bombay, July 10 (Reuters).
Govt. 8 1/2 Rupee, 90-0-0

BANK OF ENGLAND

London, July 10 (Reuters).	(000's Omitted)	July 3	July 10
Public Deposits		12,250	10,530
Other Deposits:—			
Bankers		164,440	131,790
Other Accounts		53,180	52,400
Total		217,600	184,190
Government Securities		182,340	152,810
Other Securities:—			
Discounts and Advances		8,400	7,440
Securities		18,440	18,410
Total		26,840	25,850
Notes and Coins		38,520	33,910
Total Bullion		1,090	1,940
Notes in circulation		643,370	648,030
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities		18.75%	17.41%
Price of Gold at which holdings are valued		168	163 1/2

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM RETURNS

New York, July 10 (Reuters)	July 4 - July 3	July 10
Bills Bought	2,450,000	2,184,000
U.S. Securities held	88.95%	91.11%
Federal Reserve Ratio		91.22%
Federal Reserve Credit Outstand-		
ing	2,503,000	2,273,000
Monetary Gold Stocks	20,063,000	22,627,000
Industrial Advances	9,186,000	9,273,000

N.Y. COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

New York, July 10.	Prev	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, Oct.	15.37	15.38	15.23	15.29	08 off
New York Rubber, Sept.	21.25	21.35	21.35	21.35	10 up
New York Hides, Sept.	14.22				05 up
Chicago Wheat, Sept.	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	unch.
Chicago Corn, Sept.	76 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	1 off

N.Y. COTTON

Closing Ranges	Changes
July 15.12/12	unch.
Oct. 15.29/29	08 off
Dec. 15.40/40	07 off
Jan. 15.41/41	07 off
Mar. 15.51/51	05 off
May 15.50/50	05 off

N.Y. RUBBER:

Sept.	21.35b/50a	10 up
Dec.	21.25b/30a	05 up
Mar.	21.00b/20a	20 up
Total sales	—140 tons.	

NEW YORK HIDES:

Sept.	14.27b/32a	05 up
Dec.	14.25b/30a	05 up
Total sales	—5 lots.	

CHICAGO WHEAT:

July	105 1/4/105 1/4	unch.
Sept.	106 1/2/106 1/2	unch.
Dec.	107 1/2/108	unch.

Wednesday's sales:—14,697,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN:

July	73 1/2/73 1/2	1 off
Sept.	75 1/2/75 1/2	1 off
Dec.	78 1/2/78 1/2	1 off

NEW YORK LARD:

Sept.	10.37/35	27 off
Dec.	10.70/70	22 off

N.Y. BLACK PEPPER:

Sept.	5.62b/65a	18 off
Dec.	5.72b/74a	16 off

N.Y. COTTONSEED OIL:

Sept.	11.45/45	36 off
Dec.	11.29/29	33 off

N.Y. SUGAR No. 3:

July	2.54b/56a	01 up
Sept.	2.56b/57a	01 up

Business done:—134 lots.

N.Y. SUGAR No. 4:

Sept.	1.16b/16a	01 up
Dec.	7.64/64	01 up

NEW YORK COCOA

Sept.	7.53/53	01 up
Dec.	7.64/64	01 up

N.Y. WOOL GREASE

Dec.	93.3b/5a	unch.
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4	
N.Y./London Cross Rate	unrecd.	

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, July 10 (Reuters).
Silver—Rather more production selling which was absorbed by the trade.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, July 10 (Reuters).
Market—Quiet but steady. Off-take 50 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready	03-0-0
July 19 Settlement	03-15-0
Aug. 18 Settlement	02-14-6

BROKERS' LOANS

New York, July 10 (Reuters).
Loans on securities to brokers in New York:—

Wk. ended	Wk. ended	Wk. ended
4/7/40	3/7/41	10/7/41
\$292,000,000	\$382,000,000	\$389,000,000

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATION (REUTER'S SERVICE)

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
July 10	July 10	July 10	July 10
Adams Express	64	Johnsmanville	67 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	23 1/2	Kennecott Copper	39
Allis Chalmers	30 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	30 1/2
Amer. Can	87	Lockheed Aircraft	26 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	39 1/2	Loew's Inc.	31 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	1	Martin, Glen L. Co.	36
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pt.	20	Montgomery Ward	36 1/2
Amer. Locomotive Co.	14 1/2	National Aviation	9
Amer. Metals	18 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	14 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2	National Distillers	22
Amer. Rolling Mill	15 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	6 1/2
Amer. S'ing and Ring Co.	44	National Supply Corp.	7 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	17 1/2	New York Central	12 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	155	Niagara Hudson Power	2 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	72 1/2	N. American Aviation	14 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	5	North American Co. (New)	13
Anaconda Copper	29 1/2	Northern Pacific	7
Atchafalca, T. & S. Fe.	29 1/2	Packard Motors	2 1/2
Aviation Corp.	3 1/2	Paramount Pictures	12
Baldwin Locomotive Co.	16 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	24 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	4	Phillips Petroleum	44 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	10 1/2	Pullman Inc.	27 1/2
Bendix Aviation	39 1/2	Pure Oil	10 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	76 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	3 1/2
Bliss & Co., E.W. (com.)	18 1/2	Reading Company, Com	17
Boeing Airplane Co.	17	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4 1/2
Borg-Warner	20 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	3 1/2
Briggs Mfg. Co.	20 1/2	Republic Steel	20 1/2
Budd M'facturing Corp.	44	Reynold Tobac. "B"	32 1/2
Canadian Pacific	44	Schenley Distillers	12 1/2
Canessa Corp.	25 1/2	Shell Union Oil	15
Chesapeake & Ohio	38 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	9 1/2
Chrysler	57 1/2	Southern Pacific	12
Columbia Gas & Elec.	34	Southern Ry \$5 ptd.	25 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	25 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	36 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	9 1/2	Standard Brands	6
Consolidated Edison Co.	19 1/2	Standard Gas & Elec.	20
Consolidated Oil	6 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	43 1/2
Copperweld Steel	16	Studebaker Com.	5 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	9 1/2	Swift International	19 1/2
Distillers Corp. (Seagrams)	15 1/2	Technicolor	9 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	74 1/2	Texas Corp.	42 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	159 1/2	Trans-America Co.	4 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	9	20th Cent. Fox Film, Com.	6
Elec. Autolite Co.	29 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	24	Union Pacific	81 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	56 1/2	United Aircraft	41
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pf.	61 1/2	United Aikins Trans.	11 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	36	United Corp.	1
Flintkote	15 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	23 1/2
Gen. Electric	33 1/2	United Gas Improvement	7 1/2
Gen. Motors	39 1/2	U.S. Rubber	25 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	15 1/2	U.S. Steel	58 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	12	Vanadium	25 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	16 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft	7 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	19	Walworth Co.	5
Grat Northern Iron Ore	17 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	4
Great Northern Ry. ptd.	26 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	95 1/2
Great Western Sugar	25 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	28 1/2
Inter. Nickel	27 1/2	Chase National Bank	31 1/2
Inter. Paper & Power	17 1/2	National City Bank	27 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel. (Fon. Is.)	2 1/2	Libby, McNeil	—

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1941	July 9, 1941	High	Low	Close	Change
High	133.90	133.90	133.90	133.90	10 up
Low	116.30	116.30	116.30	116.30	14 up
Dow Jones Averages					
Industrials	127.03	127.03	127.03	127.03	14 up
Rails	29.76	29.76	29.76	29.76	31 up
Utilities	20.95	20.95	20.95	20.95	11 up
Bonds	92.19	92.19	92.19	92.19	08 up
Commodity Index	73.06	73.06	73.06	73.06	08 off

Business Done:—\$40,000 shares

H.K. & S'hai Banking

Corp. (Col. Reg.) 85
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) 12/6

Chosen Corporation

Mercantile Bank of India, £5, "C" 11
Pekin Syndicate 1/1

S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.

S'hai Waterworks "A" 15-1/2
Union Insurance 22

Gula Kalumpung Rubber

Lon. Mid. & Scot. Ry. 14 1/2
Great Western Ry. 36 1/2

National Bank of India

B-A. Tob. (bearer) 86/10 1/2
Dunlop Rubber 35-1/2

Bristol Aeroplane

Imperial Chemical Ind. 32/10 1/2
United Steel 24-1/2

Woolworths

Maraman Investments 5/7 1/2

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, July 10 (Reuters).
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle

Price: £257-1/2.
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle

Price: £261-1/8.
Market steady.

LONDON GOLD

London, July 10 (Reuters).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168/-

Western Holdings 14/1 1/2

Sub-Nigel 14/1 3/4

Shell Trans. & Trad. 48/10 1/2

(bearer) 1 ex div.

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PARADES
Corps Artillery
1st Battery

July 15, 2.30 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress as laid down above. Bty. training at Aberdeen.

July 17, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. L.G. and B.C.A. Classes. Dress—Mufli. Orderly Sgt.—Sgt. L. C. Millington. Next for duty—Sgt. J. Oswald.

2nd Battery

July 16, 5.30 p.m. Scandal Point. L. Sec. Layers Class. Dress—Mufli, overalls and S.D. caps to be carried. Revision.

July 17, 11.15 p.m. H.Q. D.E.L. and B.O.P. Staff as detailed. Fatigue Party for Bluff Head. (ii) 2.15 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. (iii) Dress as laid down for 4 day training.

July 18, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Right Sec. No. 1 Gun. and D.E.L.—Kit inspection. Dress—Mufli.

3rd Battery

July 14, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—Overalls, equip., rifle slings. Talk by Lt.-Col. Levett. Thompson Gun.

July 15, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress—Mufli. R.O.B.

July 16, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—Mufli. Signal instruction.

July 17, 2 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress as laid down. D.E.L. for Jubilee Others Aberdeen.

4th Battery

July 15, 2.45 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress as laid down above. General Battery drill and instruction.

July 17, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Signallers and Range Finders. Dress—Mufli, overalls, web belt and frog. Rifle and Squad drill.

5th A.A. Battery

July 15, 2.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 1 Sec. Dress as detailed above. Half day training at Salwan.

July 16, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Nos. 1 and 2 Secs. Dress—Mufli. Lecture.

July 17, 2.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 2 Sec. Dress as detailed above. Half day training at Salwan.

Field Company Engineers

July 14, 5.30 p.m. K.C.R. Company parade. Dress—Mufli. Discussion of exercise in N.T.

July 18, 6 p.m. K.C.R. No. 1 Sec. Dress—Battle Order less steel helmet and box respirator. Trousers must be carried in haversack. Manning exercise in N.T.

July 19, 2.30 p.m. K.C.R. Remainder of Company. Dress as for July 18. Manning exercise in N.T.

Corps Signals

July 12, 2 p.m. H.Q. No. 5 Detachment D/Rs. Chen Wong Queeky. Dress—Full Battle Order. Week-end training exercises.

July 14, 5.15 p.m. H.Q. (i) R. Army Class Classification work. (ii) Training cadre and recruits. Lecture 4. Discipline. (iii) Remainder. Signal training.

July 16, 2 p.m. H.Q. Less those excused for week-end exercises. Dress—Battle Order. Half day training.

July 17, 6 p.m. Hung Hom Depot. W/T Operators. Dress—Mufli. Checking equipment.

July 18, Mainland Sec. will parade as detailed for week-end exercises. Dress—Full Battle Order. There will be no W/T Class at Govt. Trade School.

Mobile Column

July 16, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. (i) Nos. 1 and 2 Pns. Classes A and B. V.M.G. and Instruction. Classes C, D and E. L.M.G. Instruction. (ii) Nos. 3 and 4 Pns. Classes A and B. Demon-

stration. Class C. V.M.G. Instruction. (iii) No. 5 Pn. Classes A, B and C. L.M.G. Instruction. (iv) Dress—Battle Order, helmets.

July 18 and 20, 5 p.m. Hung Hom. All Pns. Dress—Battle Order, helmets. Exercise in N.T. Vehicle Party. Nos. 1 and 3 Pns. No. 1 Sec. and Nos. 3 and 4, No. 3 Sec. 4.15 p.m. Hung Hom. Spare kit will be carried as already detailed.

No. 1 Company

July 14, 2 p.m. H.Q. Company parade. Dress—As usual. Half day training.

July 16, 5.45 p.m. H.Q. Officers and H.Q. Staff. Dress—Mufli. Lecture.

July 18, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Company and Reserve Pn. Dress—Mufli. Weapon training.

July 20, 4.30 p.m. H.Q. Company parade. Dress—Battle Order less box respirator, S.D. cap. Special exercise. All pullthings not returned on 11.7.41 will be returned on 14.7.41.

No. 2 Company

July 14, 5.45 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—Mufli. Lecture.

July 15, 5.30 p.m. Kowloon Dock. No. 6 Pn. Dress—Mufli. Weapon training.

July 16, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 7 Pn. Dress—Mufli. L.G. training.

July 18, 4.30 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—Battle Order. Fatigue Party for Manning Exercise. No 4 day training.

July 19, 2 p.m. K.C.R. Station, Company parade. Dress—Battle Order less steel helmet. Manning exercise as detailed in Company circular for July 4 and 5.

No. 3 Company

July 14, 2 p.m. H.Q. Dress as usual. Demonstration and I.S.L.

July 16, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—Overalls, equipment. Tommy Gun training.

July 17, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Dress—Overalls. S.D. cap. M.C. training.

No. 4 Company

July 14, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Company parade. Dress—Mufli. Company programme.

July 16, 2 p.m. H.Q. Company parade. Dress—Battle Order. Exercise in N.T.

Company Orderly Corpl. w.e. 19.7.41—L/Cpl. K. C. Lee

Next for duty—L/Cpl. Y. K. So.

No. 5 Company

July 12, 2.15 p.m. H.Q. Whole Company. Dress and details see Company circular. Manning.

July 14, 2.15 p.m. Kowloon Railway Station. Whole Company. Dress as before. Demonstration.

July 18, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. M.G. Secs. Mechanism Heads 4 and 5. I.G. Sec. Stripping and assembling (Elementary) Body Group.

No. 6 Company

July 15, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Company. Dress—Mufli. Rifle instruction Lesson III (Continued).

July 18, 2 p.m. H.Q. Whole Company. Dress—Boots puttees, hose-tops, sun helmets, shorts, shirts, web equipment, slings. Demonstration.

July 19, 2 p.m. H.Q. Whole Company. Dress—Boots, puttees, hose-tops, shorts, shirts, helmet, web equipment, mess tins, slings. Carried in kit bag—Spare shirt, shorts, socks, trousers, cardigan, S.D. cap, washing and saving kit, knife fork and spoon. Week-end exercises.

No. 7 Company

July 14, 5.45 p.m. H.Q. (i) L.G. Nos. 1 and 2. Dress—Overall and web belt. Pistol instruction. (ii) No. 25 Pn. Dress—Overalls. L.G. Recapt. of Elem. handling and IA

BLAKE PIER INCIDENT: NEW STORY

A new version was placed before the Police yesterday in connection with the incident in which a Chinese was found dead at Blake Pier and in which a European was temporarily detained by the Police but was released later following the postmortem which revealed that the cause of death was beriberi and heart disease.

The story, told by Chinese students, who claimed to be eye-witnesses, alleged that a Chinese detective, apparently mistaking the deceased, who was being chased by a European in Pedder Street, as a robber, struck the deceased who collapsed.

It was learned from the Police yesterday that an inquest will be held soon.

(iii) No. 26 Pn. L.L. Instruction (iv) Detail from No. 4 Coy. L.L. Instruction.

July 15, 5.45 p.m. H.Q. Officers and Coy. H.Q. Lecture.

July 16, 5.30 p.m. H.Q. As detailed. Dress—Overalls, S.D. caps, equipment. Instructors course T.S.M.G.

July 18, 2 p.m. H.Q. Coy. parade. Dress—Battle Order. Deomian as detailed at Shek-O then return to H.Q. Grenades and L.L. Instruction.

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WATCHMAN FAILS IN WAGE CLAIM

SUMMARY COURT JUDGMENT

Holding that on the facts adduced before him in evidence and on plaintiff's own admissions he found that defendant firm was justified in dismissing plaintiff, Mr. Justice P. F. Cressall, at the Summary Court yesterday, awarded judgment to the Sang Kee and Company, general contractors, of No. 197 Lockhart Road from whom Santa Singh, of No. 181 Wanchai Road, second floor, claimed the sum of \$36 as wages for one month, from May 15 to June 16, in lieu of notice for services done to defendant as a watchman.

Defendant was represented by Mr. F. I. Zimmerman, while plaintiff appeared in person.

Chiu Chi-leung, managing partner of defendant firm, said that his firm was building the Science Block for the Hongkong University and, in connexion with this work, employed several watchmen during the day and at night.

NIGHT WATCHMAN

Plaintiff was one of the night watchmen and his hours of duty were from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. next morning. Plaintiff had been employed since Dec. 16 last and was paid \$36 a month. On May 15 he dismissed plaintiff because the latter had disobeyed orders in that he was always late for duty. He had warned plaintiff on several occasions. Plaintiff had also engaged a Chinese watchman as substitute without his consent.

Plaintiff, in evidence, admitted he had been late 15 or 20 minutes for work. He had told defendant that he was in the Police Reserve and that when there were parades he would be late for work. On two occasions he engaged a Chinese watchman because on black-out nights he had to go out for duty. He had obtained the permission of Mr. Chan, who paid his salary, for engaging the substitute.

Giving judgment his Lordship said that plaintiff had admitted having engaged a substitute. Plaintiff had not called Mr. Chan to give evidence and he could not accept the statement that it was with the permission of Mr. Chan.

Plaintiff had, therefore, failed in his claim, and there will be judgment for defendant with costs.

NEW NAZI CONSUL AT SHANGHAI

WASHINGTON, July 11 (Reuter).—The State Department has permitted Herr Johannes Borchers, German Consul-General at New York, and Captain Fritz Weidemann, Consul-General at San Francisco, to leave for Japan across the Pacific.

All other German Consul officials will sail from New York on July 15 to Lisbon.

It is reported that Herr Borchers will become Consul-General at Shanghai.

NEW CHIEF JUSTICE OF NYASALAND

Mr. Claude R. W. Seton, a High Court Judge of Jamaica since 1935, has been appointed Chief Justice of Nyasaland. It is announced by the Colonial Office. He was called to the Bar in 1928 and is 53 years of age.

NEW GOVERNORS

Three new Colonial Governors, Sir Allen Burns, Sir Douglas Jardine and Sir Hubert Stevenson were received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday.

SMALL-BALL SOCCER

St. Joseph's Football Club will play a friendly small-ball game against the Kowloon Miniature Football Association tomorrow at 6.30 p.m. at the Peninsula Hotel ground.

The following will represent the Saints: G. Maher, P. Castro, D. Demee, A. J. Hussain, C. M. Santos, D. Leonard and S. Cruz.

WASHINGTON, July 11 (Reuter).—Within another year wheat surpluses totalling over 1,800,000 bushels will hang over the international market, unless the world's wheat-growing nations take constructive measures to solve the problems resulting from the war, warned Mr. Sumner Welles speaking at the International Wheat Conference.

Much Dissatisfaction At Government's Plans

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cent, and \$21 less 10 per cent, per picul, respectively.

When Government decided to take over this stock at \$17.70 per picul, the importers rejected the offer and pleaded that it was too low, whereupon, it was alleged, Government sealed the godowns in which the rice was stored.

Some time later, the importers, being in need of 10 bags of rice for their own consumption, applied to Government for the release of this quantity. Government agreed to do so provided the importers were prepared to pay \$23 per picul plus 90 cents per bag for coolie hire! On the owners consenting to pay the necessary price, the rice was duly delivered to the firm, accompanied by the covering debit-note.

The importers settled the bill which, it was stated, had been handed over to the firm's legal advisers as documentary evidence of the unreasonableness of Government's actions.

BONE OF CONTENTION

The bone of contention, insofar as the public is concerned, is the high prices fixed by Government and the fact that the present situation is no improvement on the former. Retailers still have the

opportunity of carrying on their nefarious practice of overcharging and mixing the qualities.

Government's recent order that every dealer in rice should have the prices and qualities displayed on the premises is of no help to the public, as the PRICES ARE NOT DISPLAYED WITH THE QUALITIES EXPOSED FOR SALE! To simply have a written, or printed, price list posted against the side of a wall cannot be called an effective curb on the profiteering being carried on by some retailers.

The HONGKONG DAILY PRESS suggested, some three or four months ago, that THE PRICES OF ALL QUALITIES SHOULD BE PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED ON THE BAGS OFFERED FOR RETAIL. The prospective buyer would then be in a position to know what value he or she is getting for his or her money.

To argue that a person purchasing a tin of Ovaltine has to take the label on the container as evidence that the tin contains Ovaltine and not an admixture of cocoa and coffee is ridiculous.

All tinned goods are being sold under the manufacturers' guarantee that the contents are as described, BUT THIS GUARANTEE IS NOT GIVEN BY ANY RICE RETAILER IN THE COLONY.

BELLS AGAIN IN ENGLAND BY ACCIDENT

The B.B.C.'s famous chiming bells were heard again recently for a few moments.

It was after the nine o'clock news had been read that there was a cause. Then, to the astonishment of listeners, the bells were heard.

Many people telephoned to ask if an explanation could be given. This is what the B.B.C. had to say:

"There was a gap between the ending of the news and the time for the next item on the programme."

"A record was put on, and, unfortunately, the chiming bells were included in that record."

"After the record had been played the announcer apologised and said that no significance should be attached to the fact that the chiming bells had been heard."

Chiming bells are to be used to denote a German invasion.

"PIERCE'S" LARGE PASSENGER LIST

SHANGHAI, July 11 (Reuter).—The President Pierce is leaving for America with one of the largest passenger lists since the evacuation order some months ago as she is the last American liner passing through Shanghai on regular schedule following the commandeering of practically the entire Pacific passenger flotilla of the President Lines.

Other American vessels may call at Shanghai in future but they are uncertain and irregular.

SLANGUAGE

The boys of Britain's R.A.F. have developed a language all their own. A fighter pilot is told to "scramble." Instead of take off; then he "angles upward."

When he identifies a specific landmark on the ground he is "picking a pinpoint." He "links" when he turns suddenly, perhaps to avoid the "ack-acks" (anti-aircraft guns), or to attack a "Target" (enemy plane). Bomber crews don't escape by parachute, they "jump out the windows."

A "chatterbox" is a machine gun, a "hip flask" a revolver; "confetti" is ammunition; "roller skates" are tanks, and "mouse-traps" submarines. A pilot "goes to the moyle" (into action) wearing a "Mae West"—a life jacket which bulges in the right places—in case he lands in the water.—Allan A. Michie and Isabel Watt.

EXPLOSION AT COLLIERY

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter).—Fifteen men are believed to have been killed in an explosion last night at the British Rhondda Colliery at Glyn near Glamorgan.

WIFE WAS EVACUATED

MARRIED MAN'S BEHAVIOUR

Condemnation of the immoral conduct of a married man, whose wife and two children had been evacuated, was expressed by Mr. Justice Lewis at the Old Bailey, when he passed sentence of nine months' hard labour on Frederick Arthur Briant, 30, commercial traveller, who pleaded guilty to charges of conspiracy and performing an illegal operation.

Mrs. Gladys Maud Beatrice Brown, 30, whose husband was stated to be a prisoner of war, pleaded guilty to providing the instrument with which the operation was performed, and was bound over for 12 months.

INTIMATE TERMS

Mr. L. A. Byrne, who prosecuted, explained that Briant had apparently been on intimate terms with a girl, who subsequently found that she was going to have a baby. They met Mrs. Brown, who said they could go to her house, and there, in her absence, the operation was performed.

Det.-Insp. H. Catterell told the Court that as a result of the case Briant's wife had returned to him. Mrs. Brown was a woman of good character, and there was no suggestion that she had ever engaged in that type of offence.

Mr. Justice Lewis, sentencing Briant, commented: "You saw fit in the absence of your wife—forgetting her and your two children—to carry on with another woman. But this is not a court of morals, and the sentence I am going to inflict on you is for the offences you have committed in the eyes of the law."

PROMINENT JEW PASSES

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter).—Dr. David Joelchman, chairman and founder of the Federation of Jewish Relief organizations in Great Britain and the Polish Jewish Refugee Fund, died here on Wednesday at the age of 73.

A close associate of Israel Zangwill, he frequently visited England from Russia until he settled in England permanently in 1913.

FOOCHOW REFUGEES

SHANGHAI, July 11 (Central).—An appeal has been made by various circles in Fuchow for funds to relieve 100,000 Chinese who have fled Fuchow since the Japanese occupation of the city.

These refugees who constituted about half of the Fuchow population are now stranded in various places along both banks of the Min River and are in piteous plight.

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter).—A further drop of 67,000 is shown in the unemployment returns issued yesterday. The total of unemployed on June 16 was 210,000 compared with the 266,000 of May 12 and 260,000 on June 17 last year.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, 12th JULY, 1941.

Air Mail Service by British Overseas Airways Corporation to East & South Africa, United Kingdom and beyond has now been resumed. Correspondence for despatch by air via Rangoon must be superscribed by "C.N.A.C."

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—

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S.O.S.—WHISTLES

All Sailors Should Carry Them

"One thing I have learned," said a 17-year-old sailor at the end of a recent broadcast, "is that every sailor should carry a whistle and a knife."

We doubt if the significance of this remark struck one in a hundred listeners. Most of them, if they thought about it at all, probably imagined that most sailors did have whistles and all sailors carried knives, says the News of the World.

Yet Admiralty advisers on life-saving have twice turned down in committee the suggestion that whistles should be part of a sailor's issue.

Their view is that the money could be better spent in more effective life-saving methods and that the occasions when a whistle would be handy are very remote. The war has provided cases of men hanging on to spars and rafts in a sea of wreckage unable to attract the attention of passing ships because they could not shout loud enough. A shrill policeman's whistle would have been heard.

The "News of the World" takes the view that if the provision of whistles to all the Fleet and the Merchant Navy saved one life a year, it would be worth while.

OLD SALT'S WISDOM
Old salts of the merchant service have always carried whistles—their own. One who has been at sea for 50 years told the "News of the World" he was never without one. It twice saved his life, once when he fell in a dock and once when he was torpedoed. He had two sons at sea. To both his parting words were:

STREET FIGHTING IN OSLO

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter).—Violent street fighting in Oslo is reported in a Stockholm Press despatch reaching London.

Origin of the dispute is stated to be the assembly of a large crowd to pay homage at Abraham Lincoln's statue.

Quelling guards tried to disperse the gathering, upon which the crowd retaliated. Police reinforcements were called and made many arrests.

VICHY INTERESTS IN RUSSIA

ANKARA, July 11 (Reuter).—The Turkish Government have agreed to represent interests of the Vichy Government in Moscow. It was stated here yesterday.

LONDON, July 11 (Reuter).—The death of Carl Friedrich von Siemens, Chief of the Siemens works, at the age of 68 is announced by the official German news agency. He was the youngest son of the founder of the firm of Werner von Siemens.

STOCKHOLM, July 11 (Reuter).—Three German merchant vessels have been mined and sunk outside Swedish territorial waters, near Oeland.

"Take your old dad's advice and never forget your whistle." One of the sons in the Fleet Air Arm, is missing. When the father heard the news, his first words were: "I hope he had his whistle."

The Admiralty should be examining the question of the issue of whistles to all hands in the light of the intensified U-boat and air attacks on shipping.

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